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PRIVACY ACTS**

**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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Time - 10:07 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

During a telephonic conversation which I had with SAC Vetterli at the Philadelphia Office, he said that Mr. and Mrs. Charles Horn of Ardmore, Pennsylvania, were in the office yesterday and related a story relative to a scheme whereby they were to bet on horses down in Florida, which tallies exactly with the modus operandi of William E. Meade as set forth in the report of Special Agent Hopton, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, January 20, 1936. Mr. and Mrs. Horn came back to Pennsylvania to get \$40,000 from a trust fund which they have and return to Daytona Beach, Florida to bet in accordance with this scheme. Mr. Vetterli said that while the Horns have failed to identify Meade from photographs, the modus operandi is so identical to that used by Meade, he was wondering if it wasn't possible that Meade is behind the entire matter.

In view of the fact that we desire to question Meade in the above entitled case, I suggested to Mr. Vetterli that he tell Mr. and Mrs. Horn that while we have no jurisdiction in this matter, we would just like to know who is behind the scheme. Mr. Vetterli said that these people can stop by the Jacksonville Office and discuss the matter with the Agents in that office; that he will send the Jacksonville Office previous and appropriate information by teletype so that they might be advised in the premises.

Respectfully,

P. E. FOXWORTH.

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Post Office Box 612
Chicago, Illinois

March 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

The continued investigation by the Chicago Office of the address 1533 Fargo Street, Chicago, Illinois, the residence of Kate Mead, wife of William Elmer Mead, has determined that Kate Mead has not returned to this address.

Special Agent V. E. Criss has determined that a letter has been delivered to this address addressed to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Mead and bearing the return address of the Purleson Sanitarium, Grand Rapids, Michigan. No date appears in the postmark of this letter. This communication merely advised the Meads of the death of Dr. Purleson. This letter was delivered to the address 1533 North Fargo Street unsealed.

It appears that probably Kate or William Elmer Mead may have been patients at the Purleson Sanitarium in the past, and it is requested that your office conduct appropriate investigation to determine whether Kate or William Elmer Mead is known at that place and whether any information concerning their whereabouts can be obtained.

Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD, Special Agent in Charge

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FILE NO. 7-22 MO

REPORT MADE AT: Birmingham, Ala.	DATE WHEN MADE: 4/1/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/24/36	REPORT MADE BY: C. A. Holtz
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O.#1235; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No health resorts commonly known as Mineral Wells, Sulphur Springs, etc., adapted to the treatment of rheumatics exist in the State of Alabama.

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REFERENCE:

Letter from Chicago Bureau office dated March 10, 1936.

DETAILS:

AT MONTGOMERY, ALA.:

Miss Bessie A. Tucker, Secretary to the State Health Officer, Alabama State Health Department, advised that no health resorts commonly known as mineral wells, sulphur springs, etc., adapted to the treatment of rheumatics exist in the State of Alabama. Miss Tucker stated that a few years ago the wells at Cottonwood, Ala., were believed to contain curative properties, but that after some experimentation this project was abandoned as not feasible. According to Miss Tucker, no other such project exists or was ever attempted within the State of Alabama.

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DETAILS:

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FBI LITTLE ROCK 4-1-36 2-25 AM CHS

DIRECTOR

SAC CLEVELAND

PHONE. BREKID. SUGGEST AGENTS HURT OF DALLAS BARBER OF MILWAUKEE SMITH OF CLEVELAND MURPHY OF OKLAHOMA CITY MCNULTY OF KNASAS CITY AND COULTER OF DALLAS NOW ON SPECIAL AT LITTLE ROCK PROCEED CLEVELAND TODAY APRIL FIRST FOR WORK THERE. CLEVELAND WILL BE ON LOOKOUT FOR CAR SUPPOSEDLY POSSESSION KARPIS NINETEEN THIRTY SIX BUICK SEDAN MAROON NINETEEN THIRTY SIX ARKANSAS TAGS FIVE SEVEN THREE TWO MOTOR SIX THREE NAUGHT FIVE TWO ONE NINE EIGHT REGISTERED IN NAME N O/BELL THREE ONE EIGHT MARKET SAN ANTONIO TEXAS. DO NOT BROADCAST. CLEVELAND WILL CHECK ON BUSINESS CARD FOUND IN CLEVELAND FRED HUNTER QUOTE SAMUEL C BISHOP ROOMS ONE NAUGHT FIVE EAST RAYEN AVENUE YOUNGSTOWN OHIO TELEPHONE SEVEN THREE ONE FIVE FOUR UNQUOTE ALSO CARD OF QUOTE JACK HANDY AND CO. FOUR SOUTH HOWARD STREET AKRON OHIO UNQUOTE

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9:50 am

Mr. Foxworth has talked with Connelley re attached message.

Agent Barker is returning to Milwaukee
Agent Coulter is returning to Dallas

Madala (Louisville) and Arms (Chicago) are being used instead of the above. This is OK with Connelley.

Foxworth states all agents will be out of Hot Springs today except Connelley and 4 others.

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 Mr. Tracy
 Mr. Egan

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March 30, 1936

Time: 12:00 Noon.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: Alvin Karpis.

Mr. Friedman of the International News Service telephoned and stated they had a report that the Bureau is closing in on a noted public enemy, presumably Karpis; that there is a concentration of Agents at Hot Springs, Arkansas. I stated that there was no comment that could be made about the story; that the Bureau has Agents scattered throughout the country who are constantly working on leads towards the capture of public enemies and that Agents frequently are required to move from one district to another by plane in connection with investigations.

Time: 12:10 P. M.

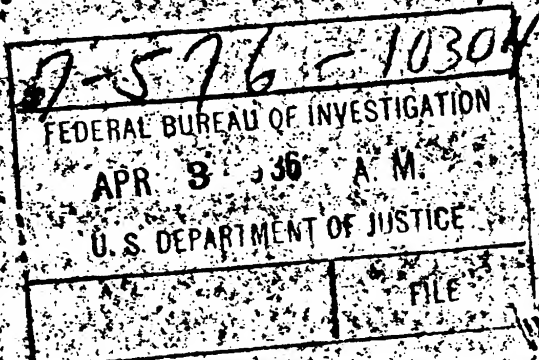
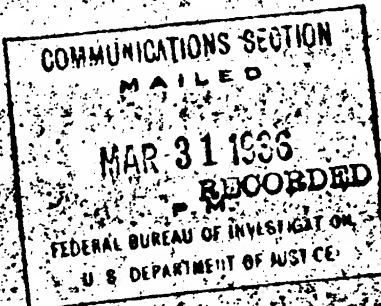
Colonel Gates telephoned and stated that he had received numerous inquiries about movements of Agents from Cleveland, Little Rock and Chattanooga. I stated that there was no comment to be made.

Time: 6:55 P. M.

Mr. Charles Duffay of the Washington Herald telephoned and stated that they had received a story on Karpis which he wished to verify. I stated that some story had apparently got out about a mobilization of Agents in Arkansas; that any activity there was merely in accord with the usual investigative activities in running down the many leads we receive. I stated that we receive tips in all sections of the country concerning Karpis and of course we have to investigate them; that at the present time no arrests have been made.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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Time: 4:13 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. Tamm

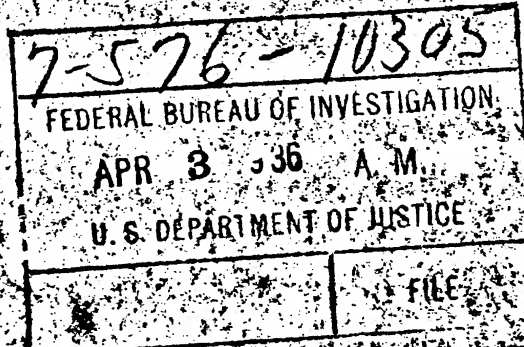
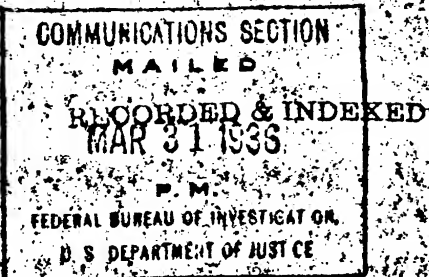
RE: Alvin Karpis.

In the course of a telephone conversation Mr. Stanley Carroll of Universal News stated he had received queries from the New York papers concerning the reported activities of the Bureau in connection with Karpis. I stated that the activity of the Agents had been greatly magnified and that only the usual investigative activities were being conducted; that we were continually working towards the apprehension of several fugitives.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
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March 28, 1936

Time: 12:10 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. Tamm

RE: Alvin Karpis.

I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Cleveland and advised him of a call which the Post Office Inspection Service had made to the Department to the effect that they believed the Bureau was covering some house at Youngstown, Ohio, which they were also covering; that they wished to co-operate and were instructing their men at Youngstown to contact the Bureau Agents there. Mr. Connelley stated he had just talked to Mr. Nathan about the situation; that he had taken into custody an informant of the Post Office thus forcing their hand; that he had talked to this informant and then released him whereupon the Post Office Inspectors at once took him into custody. Mr. Connelley further advised that Post Office Inspector in Charge Briggs at Cincinnati who is now at Cleveland had come to see him with the person who had handled the Garrettsville Bank Robbery case; that they told Mr. Connelley what they know; that Mr. Connelley had given them no information. Mr. Connelley stated that they had picked up a person named Keating in Oklahoma who was acting as an informant on Campbell; that Keating had said he would turn Karpis in but would not turn in Campbell; that Keating (phonetic) had been brought to Cleveland and put under \$50,000.00 bond; that Keating had been held by them incommunicado; that apparently Keating finally admitted that he was not in on the Garrettsville train robbery but he did know who committed it and named a person called Brock (phonetic), Karpis, Campbell, Fred Hunter, and another person named Sam whom they have not yet identified; that after the train robbery the robbers drove to Clinton, Ohio where the money was divided and the mail sacks burned. Mr. Connelley stated that the Post Office Inspectors had apprehended Brock who had evidently given them all the information. Mr. Connelley stated that the Post Office Inspectors have a fellow planted in a house there who harbored Karpis at the time he was planning the Garrettsville robbery and that Karpis was back in January to plan another robbery in which the gang expects to get about \$500,000.00; that the fugitives were supposed to come back tomorrow or some time before April 1 or April 7, judging by the time that the payrolls are scheduled to go through. Mr. Connelley stated that the Post Office Inspectors have two men planted around the house, Mr. Connelley has two men, and there are two State

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I instructed Mr. Connelley to keep control of the situation and to see that the men working with the Post Office men were competent and able to handle the situation. Mr. Connelley stated he was going to Youngstown and would keep me advised of the situation.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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March 29, 1936.

Time - 8:32 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Alvin Karpis, Bremer case.

I telephoned SAC Connelley at Little Rock and stated that in view of the unfortunate publicity which had broken at Cleveland it would be best for him to proceed to the hideout as soon as possible. Mr. Connelley stated that the press at Little Rock knew nothing but I pointed out that by morning the story would be all over the country in newspapers and probably be on the radio this evening; also that subject probably had a radio and would be warned and attempt to make a getaway provided it was he in the hideout. Mr. Connelley stated the hideout is an ideal one and it would be difficult to prove that anyone was actually in it; that only two persons know of it, these being the woman that is with subject and the informant; that there are electric lights in the hideout and undoubtedly there would be a radio. I told Mr. Connelley to surround the place and prevent anyone from leaving there tonight.

Concerning the Post Office Inspectors who are there in Little Rock on the case Mr. Connelley stated he has an Agent with them and that he, Mr. Connelley is running the investigation. I told Mr. Connelley that in case subject was apprehended that no mention was to be made of the Post Office Inspectors due to their absolute lack of co-operation in the past. Mr. Connelley stated he would advise me as soon as the inhabitants of the hideout had been ascertained to be the persons sought. I authorized Mr. Connelley to make any release to the local press that he thought the circumstances warranted and told him that the Bureau was to take the whole credit both there and at Washington inasmuch as it has been working on and planning the case for months. I stated that if Mr. Connelley was unable to make the release that Mr. Brantley should do it.

Mr. Connelley advised that the hideout is described as being on a wooded knoll overlooking the surrounding country which is flat and open and that it is a two hours drive from Little Rock; that he would take his Agents and proceed there at once; that fast movements were necessary inasmuch the hideout is only seven miles from Hot Springs, Arkansas and it would not take long for public communications section. Mr. Connelley stated he would submit a telegraphic summary tonight.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Time - 7:15 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

SAC Fletcher of the Little Rock Office telephoned me from Hot Springs, Arkansas, to report that the raid is due to start about thirty minutes from now, and that he wanted to report this to the Bureau so that we might be advised and might be ready to receive reports of the progress. He said that the situation is very well covered, and that one of the men is going to convey the developments from the scene to him in Hot Springs, to be transmitted to the Bureau.

Time - 8:00 A.M.

Mr. Fletcher telephoned me back to report that there have been no developments. He said that the scene is about seven miles from where he is now in Hot Springs, and he just wanted to relieve the tension on the Bureau in this regard. Mr. Fletcher said that in the event the Bureau wants to reach him, he can be reached at Hot Springs 9606.

Time - 8:35 A.M.

Mr. Fletcher telephoned and said that the Agents raided the place, but no one was there. They are trying at this time to locate the caretaker of the place, and a plant has been established in the house. Mr. Fletcher said that he does not know how they account for the lights in the house being on last night. A check is being made in Hot Springs and vicinity to locate the automobile which is said to be owned by Karpis.

Mr. Fletcher said that he is going to leave at once for Little Rock where he is going to communicate with the Cleveland Office for the purpose of seeing if they have any additional information from the informant by this time. Mr. Fletcher said that the Bureau will be kept advised of developments in this situation.

Time - 8:40 A.M.

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This information was transmitted to you.

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Respectfully,

P. E. FOXWORTH.

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

March 31, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
New York City, New York.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

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p10 It is requested that you secure photographs of Charles "Lucky" Luciano and Louis Buchalter and furnish copies of the same to the offices receiving copies of this letter, as well as to the Bureau and the Chicago Office.

The above requested photographs no doubt can be secured from the New York Police Department and should be furnished to the interested offices to assist in the future investigation of this case.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

April 1, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

RE: BARKID

With reference to telephone conversation of this
date, please find enclosed herewith two photographs of FRED
WINTER, alias Harold King, alias Fred King.

Very truly yours,

JPM/JSB

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J. P. McFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Time - 7:45 p.m.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. MacFarland of the Cleveland Office telephoned me relative to the leak on the publicity in connection with the above matter, and the following is a quotation of what he said:

"Mr. Blosser of the Associated Press just communicated with me to make inquiry as to whether I knew anything about that plane. I told him I had no knowledge whatsoever about the plane. He said that he had received information indicating that the plane was bound for Little Rock, Arkansas, and I told him that we had no information at all, and that we would, of course, be interested in getting any information like that. I asked him what the source of the information was, and he indicated that some bystanders around there at that time of the morning, told a Cleveland reporter about the departure of this plane. They have been making a very strenuous effort to find out just the nature of the flight. Blosser just told me that the only information which they had and the only information they could get out of the airport is that the plane departed for Louisville, Kentucky. They do not know who is in the plane or anything about it. Here is what really happened. I have talked with Mr. Wynn, who was out there with the others. The fellows went into the coffee shop there before departing to get a cup of coffee. They were seated at the counter there, and while they were there, two of the pilots came in, and one of the bystanders asked one of the pilots where he was going. The pilot answered casually that they were going to Arkansas. The Cleveland reporter for the 'Plain Dealer' was in the room at that time."

I told Mr. MacFarland that at this time, before I talked with you further, he should do nothing but make some discreet inquiries of the persons from whom this airplane was chartered, since Mr. MacFarland said that he believed such inquiries could be made and kept in absolute confidence.

Incidentally, I told Mr. MacFarland that any further inquiries received by him should be answered with "no comment".

Time - 8:00 P.M.

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Mr. MacFarland said that Mr. Blosser of the AP telephoned him again and indicated that the AP had made a check at Little Rock, Arkansas, and had ascertained that five men had left that plane down there and had registered in a hotel; that the five men who were in the plane and who are registered at the hotel denied any affiliation with the Bureau, and that inquiry by the AP

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at the Little Rock Office failed to bring forth any information relative to the situation. Mr. MacFarland said that he has just returned from the airport where he contacted employees of the Sundroph Aeronautical Corporation, who advised that the press services at Cleveland have been calling there all day trying to get information on this flight. The Sundroph people deny giving any information whatsoever to the press relative to this matter; they have denied renting the plane and have denied knowing about it in any respect, indicating that their boss, Mr. Sundroph, has the plane, who is the only one who knows anything about the situation.

Time - 8⁰⁵ p.m.

I telephoned Mr. Fletcher at the Little Rock Office inquiring if they have received any further inquiries relative to this matter, to which he replied in the affirmative. He said that there is an AP dispatch going out tonight which reads as follows: "An unconfirmed report from Cleveland that a large group of Department of Justice Agents had chartered a plane for Little Rock coincided with the arrival here late today of a plane bearing five men who denied any connection with the Department of Justice, but otherwise did not identify themselves. The plane prepared to return to Cleveland after the five had gone to a downtown hotel. Local Department Agents said they knew nothing of the Cleveland plane reported nor of the arrival here of a plane from Cleveland." Mr. Fletcher said that there is another dispatch on this matter from New York reading as follows: "J. Edgar Hoover, Chief of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, refused to discuss here today an unconfirmed report that nine Department Agents took off from Cleveland, Ohio, for Little Rock, Arkansas."

Mr. Fletcher said that in answer to newspaper inquiries about this matter, he has told them that he knows nothing about any plane from Cleveland; that there have been no Agents of the Bureau reported to his office from Cleveland, and further, that he knows nothing about any such matter in any respect.

I told Mr. Fletcher to answer any further inquiries with "no comment".

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: CINCINNATI

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VIRGINIA LICENSE THREE THREE SIX FOUR FOUR ONE NINETEEN THIRTYSIX VIRGINIA
LICENSES NOW BEING ISSUED AND REGISTRATIONS HAVE NOT BEEN PROPERLY INDEXED
WHICH WILL CAUSE DELAY IN CHECKING LICENSES AS SOON AS THIS IS DONE
YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED

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DIRECTOR

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Washington, D. C.

April 2, 1936.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time - 10:30 A. M.

RE: BREKID CASE

Mr. Connelley called from the Little Rock office and advised he would take the 10:30 plane which reaches Cincinnati at 4:20, going from there to Cleveland. He advised that they have Rochet, the contact man, who has apparently been living with Milton Lett up until recently, and will take him to Cleveland this morning; that there is a plant at Newton Falls for the apprehension of Lett, but it is not certain whether he will return there.

He also advised that Special Agents Cruise and Clary are returning to Kansas City with their car and guns; that Agent Hansen will return to Oklahoma City with Agent Little and Agent in Charge Brantley. Agent Smith reached Little Rock last night and is going over to Hot Springs to work out the proposition Mr. Connelley outlined to me yesterday. Agent Kingman is going through all the various memoranda which he has with the idea of making sure no possible leads were missed. Agent Buchanan is going over to Hot Springs for a few days to see what he can obtain around Grace Goldstein's house and two other houses like that relative to these men. This will take all the men out of Little Rock, who are from out of town, with the exception of Agents Buchanan, Kingman and Smith. Agents Buchanan and Kingman will be out of Little Rock in a couple of days as there are only a few leads left in the way of telephone calls, etc.

As to Rochet, Mr. Connelley stated the Bureau has him in custody and that he would be in Cincinnati by 4:30 this afternoon. I asked him to watch the "leak" on the publicity there. He said he would write a memorandum on the matter of cooperation tomorrow as he would have to review the file at Cleveland regarding this matter.

I also suggested to Mr. Connelley that in the future he take some of the younger Agents who have not had much experience on some of the investigations with him.

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Respectfully

P. E. Foxworth

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FILE NO. 7-8

REPORT MADE AT Aberdeen, South Dakota.	DATE WHEN MADE 3/28/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/21-23/36	REPORT MADE BY F. W. ALLEN HW
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, w.a., FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, w.a., FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, w.a., FUGITIVE, I.O. #1236; ET AL EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: George Benton of Minot, North Dakota is not Subject Campbell of this case. -RUC- REFERENCE: Letter from the Cleveland Bureau Office, dated 12/16/35. DETAILS: In accordance with the instructions set forth in the reference letter a communication was forwarded to the Motor Vehicle Department for the State of North Dakota at Bismarck, North Dakota and a reply was received from that department which insubstance stated that their records show that a George Benton of Minot, North Dakota is the owner of a 1924 Ford touring car, bearing Motor number 9903202 and that Title number 128543 was issued for this car which was last licensed in 1930. AT MINOT, NORTH DAKOTA. Records in the Post Office at Minot show that George Benton resides at 605 13th Street, Northeast. Charles Robson, a carrier at the Minot Post Office upon interview stated that he has personally known George Benton for many years; that Benton was born in Minot and educated in the public schools of that city; that he is a job carpenter by trade, is married and resides with his wife and two children at 605 13th Street Northeast; that Benton's father is also a carpenter and resides in the Elmwood Addition at Minot and that Benton has a brother Jack who resides at 603 13th Street Northeast in Minot and who is also a carpenter.			
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Robson also stated that George Benton is about forty years of age; five feet ten inches in height and weighs about 170 pounds.

F. M. Lunceford, Special Agent for the Great Northern Railroad at Minot upon interview stated that he has been acquainted with Phil Benton and his son George Benton for many years; that George is a native of Minot, has always resided in that city and that George bears a good reputation in Minot. Mr. Lunceford also stated that George is employed as a carpenter; that he has always worked on jobs in Minot and the vicinity and has never been absent from the city for any extended period.

Agent called at the home of George Benton, 605 13th Street, Northeast under the pretext of purchasing old model T Ford cars for their parts. Mr. and Mrs. George Benton stated that they owned a 1924 model Ford; that they purchased this car new; that about 1930 they purchased another car and therefore did not register the 1924 Ford; that only a few engine parts of the Ford are in their possession at the present time.

At this time it definitely was established that George Benton of Minot does not answer the description of Subject Campbell and does not resemble Subject Campbell.

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P. O. Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
April 1, 1936

Postmaster
Mankato, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

BREKID

It is respectfully requested that you place
a cover on all first class mail addressed to Isabelle
Borne, Route 1, Box 44, Mankato, for a period of thirty
days and mail the tracings to this office.

I desire to express my appreciation for your
cooperation in this and other matters.

Very truly yours,

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G. W. STEIN
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. W. A. Smith,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: GEORGE CHASE, with aliases,
Deceased;
LLOYD BOYLE, Fugitive,
I. O. 1208;
AUGUST LUER, Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

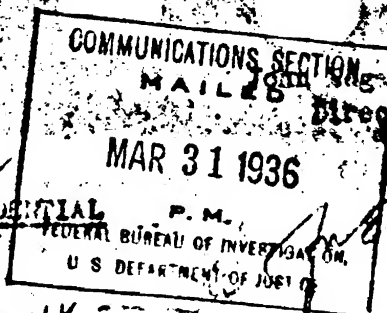
With reference to Bureau letter of February 8, 1936,
concerning the information recently furnished by a Special Agent
attending the Retraining School that Blackie Doyle is residing
in Kansas City and could be located there in a comparatively short
time by any person familiar with his appearance, you were
requested to furnish all of the Agents attached to your office
with a photograph of Blackie Doyle and efforts in this respect
were to be made to ascertain the present location of this person
and cause his apprehension.

It is, therefore, desired that you furnish the Bureau
at the earliest practicable date the results received in compliance
with the Bureau's request.

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Very truly yours,

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI**

FILE NO. **7-30**

REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minn.	DATE WHEN MADE: 4/1/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/27/36	REPORT MADE BY: JOHN E BRENNAN
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; ET AL. -- EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">ABE GINSBERG, disbarred attorney, released from Minnesota State Penitentiary January, 1936, on medical discharge. Now undergoing medical treatment at Sanitarium, Binghamton, New York. BILL GAFFNEY now serving one to ten years Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet. Both of these persons alleged contacts of WILLIAM EDWARD MEAD.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, March 12, 1936.			
DETAILS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">It was ascertained from Mr. Ray Harrington, Superintendent of the Bureau of Identification of the Minneapolis Police Department, that ABE GINSBERG, the disbarred attorney referred to in report of reference, was released from the Minnesota State Penitentiary in January, 1936, receiving a medical discharge, and thereafter went to Binghamton, New York to undergo medical treatment in a sanitarium there.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">The person referred to as BILL GAFFNEY who was involved with GINSBERG in the fleeing of a woman who operated a millinery store at Mankato in 1934, is known to the Minneapolis police as JAMES GAFFNEY and that he is now serving from one to ten years in the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Ill.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">A SAMUEL LAFF listed as a correspondent of Dorothy Fisher in report of reference, is the SAMUEL LAFF who has been the subject of correspondence</p>			
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between the St. Paul and Los Angeles offices heretofore. Agent again interviewed Assistant Inspector Charles Tierney who stated that he had arranged to have LAFF come to his, Tierney's, office at which time he will endeavor to ascertain from LAFF what if any information he has as to the whereabouts of MEAD.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

ST. PAUL OFFICE

Will further interview Assistant Inspector Charles Tierney with reference to information he may be able to obtain from SAMUEL LAFF.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio.

FILE NO. 7-12

REPORT MADE AT Butte, Montana.	DATE WHEN MADE 3/31/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/17, 24, 27, 30/36.	REPORT MADE BY G. A. Callahan IRA
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE I.O. #1218, et al. Edward George Bremer - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE Kidnaping; Harboring of Fugitive; Obstruction of Justice; National Firearms Act.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

O. B. Lester has a lease on a mine about six miles out of Jackson, Montana. He has not applied for his bonus at Fort Harrison, Montana, but may have applied elsewhere. P

Reference:

Report of Special Agent G. A. Callahan, Butte, Montana, 3/21/36.

Details:

At Butte, Montana:

On March 17, 1936, Mr. H. B. Ives, Deputy Game Warden, called at the Butte Office and furnished the following information:

O. B. Lester was in Butte on, or about, March 5, 1936, and received his mail from Mr. Thomas. Lester's wife was with him at the time, and Lester stated that he had a mine lease about six or eight miles out of Jackson, Montana; that he still owns a Ford Model A Pick Up, registered in Gallatin County in the name of the Modern Market of Bozeman, Montana. Mr. Thomas advised Mr. Ives that he had previously had business with Lester in Portland, Oregon, in 1926 and 1927. Mr. Ives suggested that if it is desired to contact Thomas he is usually home after 5 P.M. Since Thomas is rather intimately acquainted with Lester, however, it is believed advisable not to attempt to interview him at this time.

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Mr. Ives also furnished two photographs of Lester and requested that they be returned to him after they have served their purpose.

Under date of March 24, 1936, the Registrar of Motor Vehicles for the State of Montana advised that 1935 license 6-T-390 was issued for a Chevrolet truck, motor number 1806821, registered in the name of Roy Walton, Bozeman, Montana. Mr. S. C. Small, Deputy Registrar, also advises that at no time does Lester's name appear in his files.

On March 30, 1936, Mr. Ives called at the Butte Bureau Office and advised that as a result of his above mentioned interview with Mr. Thomas, he was reasonably certain that Lester is now in the vicinity of Jackson, Montana. He stated, however, that it may be rather difficult to get to that place at this time of year.

At Helena, Montana:

On March 27, 1936, Mr. Claude L. Meredith, Chief Attorney, Veterans' Administration Facility, inspected the record there on file of Veterans' bonus applications. He advised that they had no record of C. B. Lester having made any demand for the payment of his adjusted compensation. He went on to say that in all probability Lester had made this demand through another source. He therefore suggested that the Director of Insurance at the Veterans' Administration, Arlington Building, Washington, D. C., be contacted to determine whether or not Veteran had made application and what address he used at the time he made this application. Veteran's claim number is C 1353083.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The BUTTE OFFICE at Jackson, Montana, will make inquiry looking toward the location of O. B. Lester.

At Bozeman, Montana, will make inquiry of Roy Walton and the Modern Market for information regarding the whereabouts of O. B. Lester.

The WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE at Washington, D. C., will contact the Director of Insurance, Veterans' Administration, Arlington Building, for all pertinent information regarding the Veteran's (O. B. Lester) application for payment of his bonus. The address he used at the time of his application is particularly desirable. It will be noted that Lester's claim number is C 1353083.

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FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 3/30/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/16, 19, 20, 23, 25/36.	REPORT MADE BY D. P. SULLIVAN DPS:RP
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1236; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <div style="text-align: right; margin-right: 50px;">Investigation at Elmhurst, Illinois, results in information indicating that the tourist camp mentioned by Bruno Austin as having been frequented by members of the Karpis-Barker gang is the Greyhound Tourist Camp. Residence of Clifford Brabant, brother-in-law of Elmer Farmer undoubtedly is the house mentioned by Austin as the hiding place where "Doc" Barker and Gibson kept their money in the fall of 1934. Murder charge against Nate Treger was dismissed and he is reported as presently being employed by the firm of Spak, Trobe & Treger, Chicago, Illinois. Bowery night club has been closed for over a year. Irene Dorsey interviewed at Wilmington, Illinois, but refuses to provide any information in this case.</div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">- P -</div>			
REFERENCE:		Report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, dated February 25, 1936; report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated February 6, 1936.	
DETAILS:		In an effort to locate the barbecue stand and tourist camp on Lake Street west of York Street, Elmhurst, Illinois, mentioned by Bruno Austin as a place frequented by members of	
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the Barker-Karpis gang, Carrier Heineman, who delivers mail at this rural district out of the Elmhurst Post Office, was interviewed. He stated that west of York Street to the Elmhurst airport, a distance of approximately two miles, there were three or four difference places located on the south side of Lake Street, which had tourist cabins in connection with them. From the description provided by Agent, Carrier Heineman stated that the tourist camp probably was the one owned by Archie Davis or the one owned by Mrs. Karcher. He stated that he had no information indicating that either Davis or Mrs. Karcher were acquainted with or harboring criminals at their tourist cabins. He was shown photographs of all members of the Karpis-Barker gang and stated that he could not recall seeing any of the persons represented at either of the two above mentioned places, but he did state that approximately a year ago sometime probably about April of 1935, he saw a man who looked very much like the photograph of Alvin Karpis at the Cottonwood Tavern which is located on Lake Street one half mile west of York Street at Elmhurst, Illinois. Carrier Heineman stated that this tavern is presently operated by Oscar Larson who has owned it for the past five or six months, but that this barbecue stand and tavern at the time he thought he saw Alvin Karpis in the place was then operated by Harold Sargeant. Carrier Heineman stated that Sargeant presently operates a tavern at Roselle, Illinois.

In connection with the vicinity along Lake Street, Heineman stated that his cousin, Erwin Stover, is the manager of a flying service located at the western end of the Elmhurst airport and probably would be in a position to recognize any persons frequenting this neighborhood, however, Heineman stated he did not desire that his name be mentioned when Stover was interviewed.

At this time Heineman stated that Reinhold Kahn and his family have returned from Europe and are presently residing in their brick residence located in the rear of the barbecue stand they formerly operated on North Avenue approximately one mile west of Elmhurst, Illinois.

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Kahn is reported to be a

chiropracist and practicing that profession somewhere in Chicago, although he resides at the above address in Elmhurst, Illinois.

Erwin Stover, manager of a flying service at the western end of the Elmhurst Airport, which is located on the north side of Lake Street about two miles west of York Street, was interviewed. Stover is a young man and apparently both intelligent and honest. He was shown photographs of Karpis, Campbell and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang which he failed to recognize. He stated that he has breakfast at the tavern operated by Archie Davis and known as the Aero Inn, immediately across from the airport, early each morning; that the tourist cabins operated in connection with the Aero Inn are occupied only occasionally; that in the past two years he knows of no persons other than families who are touring through the country that have stayed there. He stated he is well acquainted in this section and when advised that a reward would be paid for the apprehension of Karpis and Campbell, he appeared greatly interested and stated that he would keep his eyes open in an effort to discover whether they at any time stopped at either Davis' Inn or any of the taverns in the vicinity.

Oscar Larson, who presently operates the Cottonwood Tavern, one half mile west of York Street on Lake Street, Elmhurst, Illinois, was interviewed. At the time of Agent's interview, Harold Sargeant, former owner of this tavern, was likewise present and was also interviewed. Photographs of Karpis, Campbell and other members of the Barker-Karpis gang were shown to these two men, but they stated that they cannot recall ever having seen anyone of these persons visiting this tavern. Harold Sargeant stated, however, that approximately a year ago a visitor dropped into the tavern and stayed a short while and left. After he left a customer, whose identity Sargeant does not now recall, told Sargeant that the man who left was Alvin Karpis. Sargeant stated that he questioned the customer as to how he knew that it was Karpis and was informed that the man who had left the tavern looked like a photograph of Karpis that had appeared previously in newspapers. Sargeant stated that he cannot recall the visitor supposed to have been Karpis, and stated that he felt certain that he at no time frequented this tavern over any period of time inasmuch as he would have been able to recognize his photograph. Sargeant stated that Elmer Farmer, just before he was apprehended, at Bensenville, Illinois, in January 1935, feared that he might be arrested by Bureau Agents and thereupon left Bensenville and stayed at one of

the tourist cabins at the Greyhound Tourist Camp, which is operated by Mrs. Karcher on Lake Street between the Cottonwood Club and the Elmhurst Airport.

Agent on two occasions called at the Greyhound Tourist Camp, but was unable to find anyone there. This tourist camp probably is the tourist camp mentioned by Bruno Austin as the place frequented by members of the Karpis-Barker gang, inasmuch as there are three or four white tourist cabins as Austin described.

August Schweppe, who operates the Du Page Supply Company, Elmhurst, Illinois, telephone Elmhurst 1404-R, called at the Cottonwood Tavern during Agent's interview with Larson and Sargeant. Schweppe supplies pretzels and pop corn and other supplies to taverns at Elmhurst, Bensenville and the vicinity. He was shown photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang, which he failed to recognize, however, during this conversation Larson and Sargeant and likewise Schweppe stated that the photograph of Bryan Bolton appeared familiar to them although they could not recall where they had seen the man. At this time Schweppe stated that Jim Farmer is still operating a tavern at Bensenville, Illinois, and that Henry the Mexican was attending bar for Farmer. Schweppe stated that a man named Rasmussen, who formerly worked for Jim and Elmer Farmer up until about six months ago, is presently employed by the City Hall in street repair work at Bensenville, Illinois.

With reference to the Sea Food Inn, mentioned by Elmer Farmer as the place where members of the Dillinger gang and the Barker-Karpis gang met shortly before John Hamilton died, Schweppe stated that this place, located on the south side of North Avenue, one mile west of Elmhurst, Illinois, was formerly operated by Charlie Galiat. Galiat is now staying with Harry Baker in the rear of Weber's Store across from the City Service gas station at Villa Park, Illinois. Schweppe stated that the Sea Food Inn burned to the ground about two or three months ago.

With reference to the house of a reported brother-in-law of Elmer Farmer, as mentioned by Bruno Austin, and used by "Doc" Barker and "Slim" Gibson as a place to secrete their money during the fall of 1934, Agent followed the route described by Austin and located a house at 393 Emroy Avenue, Elmhurst, Illinois,

Investigation of the carrier, William Pope resulted in information that this house is occupied by an elderly German couple by the name of Karl Evert, who appear to be reputable people.

It may be noted in this connection that Lake Street and North Avenue are only about two blocks apart at York Street. The same route described by Austin was followed by Agent, using North Avenue rather than Lake Street as a starting point. This resulted in Agent arriving at 275 Geneva Avenue, Elmhurst, Illinois. This house is occupied by Gifford and Blanche Brabant. Blanche Brabant is the sister of Elmer Farmer, and this undoubtedly is the house referred to by Bruno Austin.

Carrier Butterfield, Elmhurst, Illinois, who delivers mail at 275 Geneva Avenue, was interviewed and was shown photographs of members of the Karpis-Barker gang, which he failed to recognize. Mr. Butterfield stated that Mrs. Syre, who lives next door to the Brabant family at 271 Geneva Avenue, mentioned to him on one occasion that Mrs. Brabant would not answer the door for tradesmen and acted very suspiciously. Butterfield gathered from Mrs. Syre's conversation that she was not particularly friendly with Mrs. Brabant.

Mr. and Mrs. Syre, 271 Geneva Avenue, Elmhurst, Illinois, were interviewed. They stated that the Brabant family, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Brabant, resided at 275 Geneva Avenue during the three years that the Syre family has lived in this locality; that Mr. Brabant was a man about fifty years of age and his wife, Blanche, was a young woman about twenty-eight years of age; that formerly they were quite friendly with the Brabant family and Mrs. Syre stated that they have introduced her to Mrs. Brabant's brother, Elmer, about two years ago; that for the past year and a half or two years the Brabants have become somewhat secretive and act rather suspiciously. Mrs. Syre stated that tradesmen and representatives of the gas and electric companies are unable to gain entrance to the Brabant home; that on various occasions Mrs. Syre knew that Mrs. Brabant was home although she refused to answer the door. She stated that she did not know of any gainful occupation engaged in by Mr. Brabant; that he was in and out of the house at various times during the day, but that they appeared to have money and Mrs. Brabant dressed well. Mrs. Syre stated that the day before Agent's visit, three young women about twenty-five years of age called at the Brabant home, but

were unable to gain entrance. Mrs. Syre stated that these young women were very attractive and were stylishly and expensively clothed. She stated that she had never seen them before and wondered as to their identity.

Mrs. Syre and her husband were shown photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang, which they failed to recognize. In this connection Mrs. Syre stated that the Brabant family have very few visitors and Mrs. Brabant, although a young woman, very seldom leaves the house. Mrs. Syre stated that an old Dodge sedan driven by Mrs. Brabant's brother, whom she believed to be Elmer, frequently called at this house.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Syre promised to keep the Brabant home under surveillance and to report any strange license plates, especially of the newer models of automobiles to this Office.

On the evening of March 24, 1936, Mrs. Syre called the Chicago Bureau Office and advised that the Dodge sedan mentioned above, bearing 1936 Illinois license plates, 154-368, had stopped at the Brabant home. These plates were checked and it was ascertained that the above plates were issued for a Dodge sedan to James Farmer, Bensenville, Illinois.

A thirty-day cover has been placed on the mail delivered to the Brabant home.

In connection with Nate Trigger, mentioned by Bruno Austin as a person who could describe the tavern at Toledo, Ohio, at which the death of Dr. Joseph P. Moran was plotted, Agent made inquiry at the Criminal Clerk's office, Cook County, and ascertained that Nate Treger was indicted on July 11, 1935, indictment No. 76136, and charged with murder, however, this case was dismissed with leave to reinstate on December 20, 1935. The indictment indicates that Officers Corsi and Captain John Norton of the Maxwell Street District were the arresting officers.

Captain Norton was interviewed and stated that Treger was arrested outside of a restaurant at 901 South Halsted Street where a killing had occurred; that Treger had at the time of the arrest a sister at 3710 Leland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and at the time of his arrest had a room at a hotel near Leland Avenue and Broadway.

Jimmie Meo, proprietor of Meo's Restaurant, 901 South Halsted Street was interviewed and he stated he had recently taken over this restaurant; that he was not acquainted with Treger, but understood that Treger was arrested at this restaurant after a shooting scrape in which a man was killed sometime last year; that he did not know Treger and was unable to provide any information concerning his possible whereabouts.

Officer Corsi, Maxwell Street Station, was interviewed by telephone and he advised that Treger has a brother who is a partner in the firm of Spak, Trobe & Treger, in the fur business located on the second floor of 214 South Franklin Street; that he had attempted to get in touch with Nate Treger some months ago and was advised by his brother that he was employed by this fur firm as a salesman, but was not located in Chicago.

At 214 South Franklin Street, inquiry was made of the firm Spak, Trobe & Treger and Agent was advised that Treger, the firm member, and a brother of Nate Treger, was presently confined to the hospital with pneumonia. Upon Treger's release from the hospital, further investigation will be made to locate Nate Treger for interview.

In connection with a man named "Papa" Smith, reported owner of the Bowery, a night club, located on Clark Street, Chicago, and whom Bruno Austin mentioned as an acquaintance of "Slim" Gibson and "Doc" Barker and a criminal associate of this gang, an inspection was made of North Clark Street and it was ascertained that the Bowery night club is closed and apparently has been closed for sometime.

Discreet inquiry was made at the Nut House, 550 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, of various employees and the hat check girl stated that the Bowery has been closed for the past year and a half or two years. Casual inquiry was made concerning the present whereabouts of "Papa" Smith and this girl stated that she did not know where he was presently located, although he occasionally stopped by the Nut House, 550 North Clark Street.

In connection with the investigation set out in the report of Special Agent R. H. Hicks, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, dated March 11, 1936, indicating that no record could be found at the Philadelphia Police Department concerning a robbery of a bank messenger at Philadelphia in November or December, 1934, as described by Bruno Austin, Special Agent L. W. Arms stated that during the latter part of December, 1934, he was at Philadelphia

in connection with the investigation then being conducted in an effort to locate members of the Mais and Lagenza gang; that he recalled that probably in the latter part of December a gang of men attacked a messenger carrying money, as he was going down the steps of some building in Philadelphia, knocked him down and obtained, according to newspapers, about \$12,000.00. Special Agent Arms stated that one of the Agents of the Philadelphia Bureau Office took photographs of members of the Mais and Lagenza gang to the Philadelphia Police Department in an effort to identify these men as the perpetrators of the above crime. Special Agent Arms stated that Captain of Detectives "Shooney" Malone is cognizant of the facts in the above robbery.

The above information was provided the Philadelphia Bureau Office by letter dated March 23, 1936, and it was suggested that Captain Malone be interviewed for further information concerning this robbery in an effort to determine whether the Philadelphia Police Department has any information concerning the identities of the persons responsible for same.

Reference is made to thereport of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, dated February 25, 1936, which sets out a lead to obtain a record of the long distance telephone calls made from Peoria 6913, the telephone listed to Margaret Campbell, 516 1/2 North Adams Street, Peoria, Illinois. The same were obtained through Mr. Swanson of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company. These numbers do not at this time appear to have any special significance. A list of the above calls was forwarded to the St. Louis Bureau Office by letter dated March 13, 1936. The St. Paul, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Milwaukee, and Omaha Bureau Offices as well as the Bureau were likewise forwarded copies of the above mentioned telephone numbers and the Omaha Bureau Office was requested to make appropriate inquiry concerning the identity of the subscribers to the telephones at Des Moines and Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who called Peoria 6913.

In connection with the leads set out in the report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated February 6, 1936, suggesting interview with Irene Goetz at Wilmington, Illinois, for the purpose of ascertaining the identity of the couple, presumably from New York City, who were present at Fred Barker's birthday party in either December of 1933 or January of 1934, Irene Goetz was interviewed by Agent. She denied being

present at any birthday party for Fred Barker and denied knowing of the identities of the above mentioned couple.

In this connection Irene Goetz, who is presently using the name, Irene Dorsey, is operating a woman's wear shop at Wilmington, Illinois, and she stated that she would be greatly embarrassed if it became known that Agents were constantly interviewing her. At this time she stated she had no personal animosity toward any Agents of the Bureau, but that she had given up the life she had formerly led with her husband, Fred Goetz, and desired to have nothing more to do with either "coppers" or "hoodlums." At this time she stated that she would not provide any information to the Bureau concerning members of the Karpis-Barker gang and their activities and in other cases and mentioned that she testified for the defense in the recent trial of Harry Sawyer at St. Paul for the reason that Bryan Bolton had lied; that she merely testified to the truth, feeling that Sawyer was not guilty of the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer. The Dorsey woman stated that after she is interviewed by Bureau Agents she is highly upset and nervous for two or three days thereafter and stated that she did not desire to be interviewed again.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The CHICAGO BUREAU OFFICE at Chicago, Illinois, will locate Nate Treger through his brother, who is presently confined to the hospital, and who is a member of the firm of Spak, Trobe & Treger, second floor, 214 South Franklin Street. Treger will be interviewed to determine the location of the tavern at Toledo, Ohio, where Bruno Austin stated the murder of Dr. Joseph P. Moran was plotted in the late summer of 1934.

At Elmhurst, Illinois, will interview Mrs. Karcher, who operates the Greyhound Tourist Camp, located on the south side of Lake Street about one mile west of York Street, in an effort to determine whether members of the Karpis-Barker gang have frequented her tourist camp.

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Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
April 1st, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Aberdeen, South Dakota.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Investigation by the Bureau has disclosed that as late as March 26th, 1936, a maroon-colored, 1936 Model, 4-door, Buick Sedan, motor #63052198, serial #2895972, was in the possession of Subject Alvin Karpis. On January 25th, 1936, this automobile was registered in the State of Arkansas at Little Rock, under the name of N. O. Bell, who gave his address as 318 Market Street, San Antonio, Texas and for the machine was issued 1936 Arkansas license #5-732. The application number for this registration was 112530.

Each Field Office of the Bureau is requested to immediately contact the Automobile Registration Bureaus of each state within its jurisdiction and place appropriate stop notices therewith, with notations to the effect that the Bureau Office concerned be furnished with any information received concerning registration or attempts at registration of this automobile, or any record of transfer or attempts to transfer the same.

This information concerning this automobile should be treated as confidential and at the Registration Bureaus mention should not be made of the fact that this car has been in the possession of Karpis. No efforts should be made to broadcast any information concerning this automobile through police departments or law enforcement agencies.

Very truly yours,

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S. J. CONNELLY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Dept. Justice Agent.
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would like to know.
Yours Truly
Edward Jackson
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VIGOROUSLY AND MILITANTLY HANDLED.

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REPORT MADE AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN	DATE WHEN MADE 4/1/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/13-17, 23-30/36	REPORT MADE BY W. B. MATNEY
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

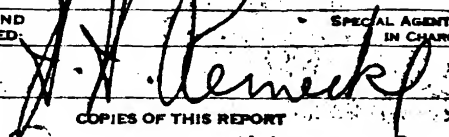
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Phone calls from Ohio to Michigan checked; results recorded. Nine mineral and sulphur springs located in Michigan. Wilma Ridi, Lansing, Michigan, [REDACTED] 1933 Ford sedan, motor #1320365, shipped to Ford Motor Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, December 26, 1934. No apparent irregular activities around home of Phil de Andrea, St. Joseph, Michigan. \$20 bills checked against known ransom lists with negative results. Alvin Karpis identified by Miss Ruth Winterfield, Cleveland, Ohio, as purchaser of Ford V8 coupe.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent W. B. Matney, Detroit, Michigan, 3/5/36.
Letter from Chicago office dated 3/10/36.
Bureau letter dated 3/13/36.
Wire from Little Rock office dated 3/19/36.
Report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, 2/17/36.
Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, 2/26/36.
Bureau teletype dated 3/26/36.
Report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, 3/24/36.

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DETAILS:

In reference to phone number 522, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, as set out in report of Special Agent W. B. Matney, Detroit, Michigan, 3/5/36, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. H. Hoffman:

At Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan it was ascertained from S. N. Bradford, Michigan Bell Telephone Company, that telephone number 522 there on October 15, 1935 and for some time previous thereto was listed under the name of Mrs. J. B. Eddy, 119 Peck Street, but that in March, 1935, this number was discontinued altogether and the telephone number 651W was received by Mrs. Eddy. Mr. Bradford advised that this office keeps no record of incoming long distance telephone calls as to the point of termination excepting collect calls and that the records pertaining to collect calls terminating at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, prior to November, 1935, have been destroyed.

Sheriff Willard Welsh and Deputy Sheriff John McKee advised that Mrs. J. B. Eddy is the widow of Jacob B. Eddy, who until his death several years ago had been the local Circuit Court bailiff for a long period of years; that Jacob B. Eddy was considered an old timer and bore a good reputation in the community. They also advised that there is one child, Kenneth R. Eddy, a photographer who resides with Mrs. Eddy, his mother. They further advised that Mrs. J. B. Eddy and Kenneth R. Eddy are considered good law-abiding citizens and have never been in any difficulties with the law enforcement officials or otherwise during their long residence there. They referred Agent to Sam Taylor, County Clerk for any further information stating that Mr. Taylor was very well acquainted in Sault Ste. Marie and was a close friend of J. B. Eddy, deceased.

Sam Taylor, County Clerk, stated that he has been intimately acquainted with the Eddy family for a long period of years and was certain in his own mind that they were not the type of people who would have contacts with underworld or criminal characters; that Mrs. J. B. Eddy and Kenneth R. Eddy stood well in the community and were considered responsible people.

Mrs. J. B. Eddy, who is approximately 75 years old and who is not very active, was interviewed regarding the long distance telephone call made from the Harvard Club, Cleveland, to telephone number 522, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, on October 15, 1935. She advised that she had no recollection of a call of this nature having been made while she had this telephone number and that she was not acquainted with anyone by the name of Captain George Pensort or Pansort. Kenneth R. Eddy and his wife likewise stated that they knew nothing of this call and that they never had been acquainted with anyone at the Harvard Club in Cleveland, Ohio. They advised that they did not have any guests residing with them that had ever received such a call so far as they knew and they could offer no explanation at all concerning the call.

Mr. G. P. Jordan who has been a steamship official at Sault Ste. Marie for a number of years advised that he knew no one by the name of Captain George Pensort or Pansort in the navigation business there and could not identify this man with any previous acquaintance. Mr. O'Neill of the Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan Post Office after a search of his records advised that George Pensort or Pansort had not been receiving mail there and was not receiving mail unless by general delivery in October, 1935.

Agent interviewed the Sergeant-Major at Camp Brady which is located one-half mile from Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan and he advised that his records do not list a Captain George Pensort or Pansort and that he has never heard this name mentioned among the officers at the camp.

Inasmuch as the telephone call in question had not been heretofore identified it was believed that there was a possibility that some acquaintance of a former person having the telephone number 522 at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan had made this call to this number; therefore S. N. Bradford was again interviewed and he advised that telephone number 522 was until September 5, 1934, under the name of Mrs. Harry Killits, 1068 Portage Street. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Killits, however, advised that they could offer no information or explanation relative to the telephone call in question and stated that they did not know of any one named Captain George Pensort or Pansort.

The City Directory of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan for the year 1935 did not list a George Pensort or Pansort. In view of the fact that Mrs. J. B. Eddy and her family bear reputations beyond reproach at Sault Ste. Marie, and there is no indication that the telephone call in question was in any way connected with the instant case and no information could be obtained to identify Captain George Pensort or Pansort, no further investigation relative to the Eddy family was conducted.

With regard to the above mentioned reference report of Agent Matney

The Detroit Bureau office will await instructions from the Cincinnati office before conducting any additional investigation in or around Montreal.

In reference to the letter of Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, dated March 10, 1936, at Chicago, Illinois, Mr. Fred Meader, Board of Health, Detroit, Michigan, telephone number Columbia 4302, advised that he has in his possession a book titled "Mineral Waters of the United States and American Spas - William Edward Fitch". This book is published by the Lee & Feibeger Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Mr. Meader advised that this book is the foremost authority on mineral wells and sulphur springs. From this book the following list of mineral wells and sulphur springs located in the State of Michigan is set forth:

- X Alpena Mineral Well
Located North of Alpena, Michigan
- X Eastman Spring
Located in Berrien County
Post Office for this spring is Benton Harbor, Michigan
- X Clarks Red Cross Mineral Well
Mecosta County
Post Office is Big Rapids, Michigan
- X Eaton Rapids Wells
Eaton Rapids, Michigan
- X Magnetic Mineral Springs
Gratiot County
Post Office is St. Louis, Michigan
- X Mt. Clemens Mineral Springs
Post Office is Mt. Clemens, Michigan
- X Mt. Clemens Victory Springs
Post Office is Mt. Clemens, Michigan
- X Moormans Mineral Wells
Washtenaw County
Post Office is Ypsilanti, Michigan
- X St. Clair Springs
Post Office is St. Clair, Michigan

Appropriate lead cards are being made and the Detroit Bureau office will follow out the investigation as set forth in reference letter.

In reference to Bureau letter dated March 13, 1936, the following is the inclosure which accompanied same:

"Dear Sir

"I wrote to you befor concerning No 1 2 and 3 don't beleave my letter reached you. I hope this will. Karpis must be captured or his organasion get so large that it be beyond control. his mobsters are into allmust everything black mailing swindling dope running holdup and what not. I have discovered his headquarter whitch is at 674 Temple W Detroit Mich, at 660 W Temple you find many of his hanchman mainard Bill Mitchell or Mitchell brothers in the basement of 660 W Temple he schools his mob he lays out the jobs. there must be under ground passidge between 674-660 best time for raiding be 5 a.m. for mainord don't get in before 2 or 3 a.m. agent must be very careful because that gentlman got a habit of dressing like an old lady he lamps quite bed is stout Karpis also is getting old and hagarad been in poor halth since hotel shooting in Miami, florida 1934. at 660 T you find two man black hair black eyes all most the hight of Karpis but younger ? hair verry wavie, have those two plases,raided please of ? not captured he could be found near me no metter where I am at for last four years he had given me plenty of his time the reason is this he thinks I am heir to some great fortune somewhere. he wants it thats why I am being watched so clöselly him and his mob he tried every possible to get me in his power twice I escaped being kidned by his men. the earth is too small for both of us eather I get one way ride or he get captured.

"Mrs. Wilma Ridi
907 Max Ave.
Lansing, Michigan
or
392 P. O. Box

"P.S. send your smardest agent to me at once."

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. Waldman:

Mrs. Ridi was interviewed at her home at 907 Max Avenue, Lansing, Michigan, with respect to the information contained in the undated letter she addressed to the Bureau concerning alleged activities of Alvin Karpis and others. Mrs. Ridi is apparently suffering under a persecution complex, inasmuch as she stated to Agent Waldman that for the past four years Karpis, Dillinger, Dainard and the Waleys have

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been spying on her and endeavoring to get her to leave her husband.

[REDACTED] her information about the above was imparted in a rambling, incoherent manner; and she is apparently an avid reader of detective magazines, of which a number were noted in her room, the reading of which appears to be the cause of her delusions.

As an example of how totally without foundation her stories are, she advised that for three weeks prior to the Weyerhaeuser kidnaping, Mr. and Mrs. Waley lived next door to her in Detroit; another example being her statement that she met John Dillinger and an Indian woman only a few months ago in Toledo, Ohio. She also stated that she has seen Robinson, the Stoll kidnaping, on several occasions in Detroit, and that Robinson was dressed as a woman and was trailing her wherever she went.

In view of Mrs. Ridi's absurd statements, no further action in this matter will be taken by this office.

In reference to the wire received from the Little Rock Bureau office dated March 19, 1936, Mr. J. W. Zelmar, phone Oregon 4600, Record Custodian at the Ford Motor Company, Detroit, advised that 1935 Ford sedan, motor #1320366, was shipped to the Ford Motor Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, on December 26, 1934. This information was furnished by wire to the Little Rock Bureau office on March 19, 1936.

In reference to the report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, 2/17/36, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry:

The Chief of Police at St. Joseph, Michigan, B. F. Phairas, was contacted regarding Phil de Andrea, who maintains a place on the outskirts of St. Joseph, Michigan.

The Chief advised that for the past several years he had been watching the activities of de Andrea very closely in and around St. Joseph, and that de Andrea went so far as to employ an attorney for his defense. The Chief advised that de Andrea had never lived regularly at St. Joseph, but that he merely kept his home there and often stayed there a few weeks during the summer and would come out at different intervals during the winter.

Chief Phairas further advised that he had noticed that every time some gangster was bumped off in Chicago that de Andrea would

appear at his place in St. Joseph probably a day or so prior to the killing and that he recalled definitely that de Andrea came to his home at St. Joseph the day before Jack McGurne was killed in Chicago and that while he was there his baby was sick and that he employed a nurse. He stated that he talked to the nurse and she advised that he was at his place in St. Joseph, Michigan at the time McGurne was killed and that he remained there until after his burial. The Chief further advised that de Andrea claimed to have a florist shop in Chicago but that he had ascertained through the State Police and the Police Department of Chicago that upon investigation of his so-called florist shop that they determined he did not keep any flowers at all but that he would drive a truck bearing the street number of his florist shop but not giving the city.

The Chief advised that he would continue to observe the activities of de Andrea while he was in St. Joseph, Michigan, and should he have any visitors whom he was unable to determine the identity of he would notify the Detroit office at once.

At the Michigan Bell Telephone Company at St. Joseph, Michigan it was ascertained that Phil de Andrea at one time maintained an unpublished telephone in his home but that same had been discontinued for more than a year now and that at present he has no telephone in his home.

In this connection Chief Phairas advised that when de Andrea was in St. Joseph that he made all his long distance telephone calls at a drug store pay station telephone booth just below the Police Station at St. Joseph, Michigan.

Mr. Charles Nasenich, teller of the National Bank of Detroit, General Motors Building, Detroit, Michigan, advised the Detroit Bureau office by wire that he had in his possession five \$20 bills. Mr. Nasenich requested that these bills be checked against the known ransom lists. The following is a list of the bills which were in the possession of Mr. Nasenich:

Bank notes

A 00611665	A
A 07488487	A
A 25272098	A
A 28419085	A
A 28941317	A

These bills were checked against all ransom lists in the Detroit Bureau office and it was found that none of the above mentioned bills was listed in the Detroit office files. Mr. Nasenich was advised of the results of this investigation and requested to advise the Detroit

office if he receives any additional bills which arouse his suspicion.

In reference to Bureau teletype dated March 26, 1936, the Detroit Bureau office advised the Bureau on the same date that Miss Ruth Winterfield, bookkeeper, George Falke Motor Company, Cleveland, Ohio, identified photograph of Karpis as the Charles N. Bronson who purchased Ford V8 coupe, motor #18-1037480 and partial identification was made by Robert Donley who sold the car. Further details are reflected in reports of former Special Agent in Charge William Larson, Detroit, Michigan, dated September 28, 1934, and Special Agent D. E. Hall, Detroit, dated September 25, 1934. The receipt from the Vacuum Oil Company, which is mentioned on page 24 of the latter report, is now in the Detroit office file. George A. Falke is President of the above motor Company.

In reference to report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, 2/26/36, the following investigation was made in regard to the phone call which is listed in reference report, as follows:

1/25/36 - to Euclid 9491-W - M. H. Passarvilla, 1025 Highland, Oak Park

Investigation at the Michigan Bell Telephone Company reveals that there is no Euclid 9491-W in Highland Park, Royal Oak, Oak Park or Detroit, Michigan, there being a Euclid 9491 in Detroit, Michigan. Euclid 9491 in Detroit is listed to Mr. Valentine R. Evans, who is the treasurer of the George F. Webber Company, Detroit, Michigan. This company manufactures sweaters and bathing suits.

Investigation at Oak Park, Michigan, which is a suburb of Royal Oak, Michigan, discloses that it does not have a Highland Avenue.

The residence of Valentine R. Evans is listed as 3458 Wager Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Mr. Gacokes, Michigan Bell Telephone Company, Detroit, Michigan, advised that Euclid 9491 has never been a party line and he has no record of any such number. A check of the city directories for Detroit and Oak Park, Michigan, fails to reveal any person named M. H. Passarvilla. If future investigation in Chicago reveals that Valentine R. Evans should be contacted, the Detroit Bureau office will conduct appropriate investigation at that time.

In reference to the report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, 3/24/36, the following investigation was conducted. Mr. Gacokes, Michigan Bell Telephone Company, Detroit, Michigan, a substantial informant of the Detroit Bureau office, gave the following information relative to the phone calls set out in reference report:

10/9/35 This is listed to the B. C. Wills & Company, 666 East Col-
Cadillac 5974 umbia, Detroit, Michigan. This company is a substantial
 furniture house in Detroit, Michigan.

1/12/36 This is listed to the Imperial Management Company, 26
Temple 27000 Peterboro, Detroit, Michigan. Investigation at this
(Hill) address reveals that this address is the Imperial Hotel.
 Mr. John Anhut, President of the Imperial Management
Company, and Mr. James Denawetz, Assistant Manager of the Imperial Hotel,
examined the records in their possession and advised that H. B. Hill has
lived at their hotel on various occasions and their records reflect that
he registered in their hotel 12/9/35 as H. B. Hill, 2033 East 77th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio, and on 12/14/35 placed a long distance call to Toledo,
Ohio, to W-0875-R or W-087-R. A thorough check of this hotel register
failed to reflect any additional phone calls made or received by any
party named Hill and Mr. Anhut advised that if the long distance phone
call was placed outside of Detroit and paid for at that end of the call,
his hotel would have no record of the incoming call, and any record
pertaining to such a call would have to be secured in the town from
which the call was placed and paid for. Mr. Anhut's attitude toward the
Bureau was very friendly, and he advised that he would gladly assist
the Bureau in any way possible.

1/15/36 This number is listed to Morse Mason, who operates a cigar
Vinewood 9190 store at 10386 West Jefferson, River Rouge, Michigan.

2/3/36 This phone is listed to Edward P. Way, 4472 West Jeffer-
Atlantic 1526 son, Ecorse, Michigan. This man operates the Mecca Cafe.
 In reference to this phone call it is worthwhile to note
that in report of Special Agent W. B. Matney, Detroit, Michigan, dated
3/5/36, this man's phone number has previously been checked and at that
time the phone number called was Atlantic 1526.

2/15/36 Investigation revealed that Cherry 7022 is the long dis-
Cherry 7022 tance trunk line of the Fairbairn Hotel, 250 East
 Columbia, Detroit, Michigan. Mr. W. Lee, manager of the
above mentioned hotel, made a thorough check of the phone call records
in the possession of his hotel and advised that he could not give any
information concerning a phone call as set out in reference report. Mr.
Lee advised that if a long distance phone call were made to his hotel
and the charges were paid by the person calling, his hotel would have no

record concerning this long distance phone call and all records pertaining to this call would necessarily be in the possession of the telephone exchange from which the long distance phone call emanated.

The Detroit Bureau office is awaiting instructions from the office of origin before conducting additional investigation in regard to the phone calls set out in reference report.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 30, 1936.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Time - 9:30 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

When I telephoned SAC MacFarland at the Cleveland Office to instruct him to proceed with the investigation of the leak in this matter, he said that he has received the story already, the same being as follows:

"The source of the information was a Mr. Hartshorn, who is a reporter on the Cleveland Plain Dealer. He was in the coffee shop of the airport and was sitting across from where the Agents were sitting at the time they were having coffee before the trip. The co-pilot who went on the trip to Arkansas was accosted by a bystander, who asked the co-pilot where he was going. The co-pilot then said rather loudly that he was going to Arkansas."

I asked Mr. MacFarland how this reporter knew the Agents were present at that time, to which he replied that the reporter did not know, or at least he had no way of knowing. I told Mr. MacFarland that you are inclined to discount this version of how the information got out for the reason that you received inquiries while you were in New York in which the press services stated they knew the men in the airplane were as a matter of fact Agents. I told Mr. MacFarland that in view of your attitude toward this version of how the information got out, and in further view of the fact that it was because of the information getting out that we did not get anything on this investigation, there appears to be no reason why we cannot make a very thorough and vigorous investigation to determine just how this did occur. I further outlined to Mr. MacFarland that we want complete and correct names and complete and correct information as to all persons involved; that we want to know the name of the ranking official in the organization with which such involved persons are connected. I pointed out to him that we understand he made some inquiries at other places about chartering a plane, and appropriate inquiry should be made at those places to determine if it was possible the information came out through them.

I repeatedly cautioned Mr. MacFarland that this inquiry should receive prompt and vigorous attention.

Time - 11:20 A.M.

SAC MacFarland telephoned me and said that he just received a report that Mr. Bostick of the AP communicated to him to the effect that he, Bostick, had received a bulletin from the Hot Springs Office of the AP indicating that Chief Deputy Sheriff, Roy Ermie, of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

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had made a statement presumably to the press that he, Ernie, had learned that six or seven men who are supposed to be Federal Agents had surrounded a house early this morning on Marvin or Melvin Road about six or seven miles out of Hot Springs. Mr. MacFarland said that Mr. Smith of the AP later communicated with him and indicated that a Youngstown, Ohio, newspaper had passed some information along to the AP that a man was taken into custody at Warren, Ohio, who had furnished information concerning the whereabouts of Karpis and Campbell in Arkansas. This information was given to the newspaper in Youngstown in confidence by an undisclosed officer. The connection of the officer could not be ascertained by the AP.

Mr. MacFarland said that another situation is still hanging fire in this matter, this being the situation relative to John Zetzer, the airplane pilot who flew Karpis and Campbell right after the Atlantic City affair. Mr. MacFarland said they still have this man in custody and the papers are carrying stories to the effect that this man is supposed to be kidnaped, etc; that the United States Attorney at Toledo telephoned the Cleveland Office and wanted to know if the Bureau has this man in custody and is interrogating him, to which Mr. MacFarland said he replied that he had no knowledge of the matter, this being done as a matter of necessity under the circumstances. He said they have repeatedly interrogated this man and have gotten nothing from him. Mr. MacFarland said that the Post Office Inspectors have in custody a man by the name of John Brock, who is being held in Youngstown, and who has given the Post Office Department considerable information about this case. He said that they were wondering about the desirability of their getting together with the Post Office Inspectors, and seeing, by confronting the two men, if they can get some information from Zetzer about the whereabouts of Karpis and Campbell. Mr. MacFarland said that eventually they are going to have to turn Zetzer over to the Post Office Inspectors for the reason that he is involved in the Garrettsville robbery. He said that we have no case of harboring and assisting to escape against this man at this time because we can't prove knowledge on his part that the men were as a matter of fact Karpis and Campbell. I told Mr. MacFarland that while I did not believe at this time that we should get together with the Post Office Inspectors relative to this situation, this situation should be discussed with Mr. Connelley to get his views on the same before any definite affirmative action is taken in that regard.

With reference to the instant matter, Mr. MacFarland said that they interviewed this Brock man, who said that it is his opinion if the fugitives should leave Arkansas, they would immediately head north and possibly contact Joe Roscoe at Toledo. It would appear that this is a situation which will have to be covered at once, and it will be done.

Memo for the Director

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Time - 11:35 A.M.

I telephoned SAC MacFarland back to ascertain the status of the retention of John Zetzer; that is, whether he has signed a waiver of removal or whether he is being held voluntarily or involuntarily, etc. Mr. MacFarland said that while Zetzer has assumed the attitude of not desiring to sign anything, he is being held voluntarily. Mr. MacFarland said that while Zetzer is one of the "hardest customers" they have had in many months, they have about got him where he will sign a waiver and possibly a statement.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.
March 31, 1936.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Edward G. Bremer
BREMER

I am enclosing copies of log of telephone
conversations of the DAVENPORT tap for March 27, 28, and
29, 1936.

Blanche is Blanche Davenport;
Sue, Locust 4926 is Sue Smith;
Art is Arthur Christopherson, brother-
in-law of DAVENPORT;
Bill (Midway 1614) is William Paulbitake;
Jackie is DAVENPORT'S adopted son;
Berdella is the wife of Art Christopherson;
Eather is Berdella's sister;
Jean is Jean Harris, wife of Benny Harris.
Atlantic 0894 is E. Mason, 1831 - 2nd Ave.
South, Minneapolis, Apartment 316.

Very truly yours,

C. W. STEIN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI**

FILE NO. **7-30**

REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minn.	DATE WHEN MADE: 4/1/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/16-31/36	REPORT MADE BY: JOHN E BRENNAN
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1233; ET AL -- EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">BRYAN BOLTON has no knowledge concerning alleged robbery of bank at South Holland, Illinois. Mrs. Helen Delaney, mother of Dolores, interviewed. Advises has no information as to whereabouts of fugitives and from her conversations with parents of KARPIS does not believe they have heard from him. Transcript of testimony of JOE ADAMS and certain exhibits for use in prosecution of ADAMS forwarded to Bureau. Florence Finkelstein of Duluth is stenographer in employ of County Auditor's Office. Copy of letter to Rose Zack alleged to pertain to KARPIS obtained. No Virginia's Place known in Duluth.</p>			
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REFERENCE: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Bureau letter March 12, 1936; telegram from Bureau March 19, 1936; teletype from Oklahoma City Office March 22, 1936; letter from Kansas City Office to Bureau March 25, 1936; report of Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, March 12, 1936; report of Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Jacksonville, March 17, 1936; report of Special Agent H. A. Wynn, Cleveland, February 13, 1936.</p>			
DETAILS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Interview was had with BRYAN BOLTON at the Ramsey County Jail concerning information which had been obtained by the Deputy Warden of the U. S.</p>			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>L. W. Stern</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		RECORDED AND INDEXED 7-576-10324 APR 4 1936	
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Penitentiary at Alcatraz Island, to the effect that VOLNEY DAVIS, ARTHUR BARKER, and other persons had held up a bank at South Holland, Illinois, in the spring of 1934, at which holdup a guard was killed. BOLTON stated that he had never heard any discussion concerning the bank robbery at South Holland, Illinois, or of any robbery wherein a bank guard was shot or killed, and accordingly could furnish no information concerning the alleged bank robbery.

Agent interviewed Mrs. Helen Delaney, mother of Dolores Delaney, who has a furnished room at 1039 Lawson St., St. Paul. She stated that she has not heard from or written to any of her relatives since Dolores was returned to Milan, Ohio. She stated that ALVIN KARPIS' father came to St. Paul to attend the trial to see if his son was actually involved in the kidnaping, and that he came over to her place to ask her to write a letter home for him; that she took him over to visit Babe Reilly and then to a hotel, as she did not have room where she was staying for him. She stated that from her conversation with KARPIS, SR. and with Mrs. Karpis, whom she had visited sometime before in Chicago, she does not believe that they have heard from ALVIN KARPIS, though she also believes that if they did, they would not furnish any information about it.

Agent informed Mrs. Delaney that since he had interviewed her about a year ago, some information had been developed to indicate that she was not desirous of cooperating with the Bureau in endeavoring to locate KARPIS as she indicated she would do. She stated that she did not know what reason there was for anyone arriving at this conclusion unless it was that she had told Dolores that she was on her side in order to cheer her up; that she does not want Dolores or any of her children to know that she talks to Agents of the Bureau. She stated that she was exceedingly glad that SAWYER had been convicted as he and PAT REILLY had caused the Delaney family all of the trouble that they had gotten into.

It was indicated to her that Dolores will probably not be paroled so long as KARPIS is a fugitive, and she stated that she would prefer that Dolores would be kept in custody.

Jean Dolores

until after KARPIS was caught or killed as she was afraid that should Dolores be released she might get back into the company of KARPIS and be shot or killed. She stated that her daughter Babe was going to divorce PAT REILLY and that she expects to hear from Babe shortly; that her other daughter Jean, is working at the Silhouette Club in Chicago. She stated that she does not believe that any information as to the whereabouts of KARPIS will ever come into her possession as she does not believe that she knows anyone that knows of his whereabouts, and further that she does not have the confidence of her own children, which she enjoyed prior to their having become involved in this case.

A transcript of the testimony of JOE ADAMS taken in the last trial in this case at St. Paul was obtained and forwarded to the Bureau. Exhibits referred to in Bureau letter addressed to E. J. Connelley at Chicago dated March 24, 1936, which were in possession of the St. Paul Office, were forwarded to the Bureau by registered mail. Such exhibits as were noted in reference letter as were introduced in evidence during the trial of the case, are in custody of the Clerk of the District Court for the District of Minnesota.

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Assistant United States Attorney George Heisey, St. Paul, has prepared a stipulation for the signature of the attorneys for the appellants, which when signed will be filed with the court with the request for an order to substitute photostat copies in lieu of the original exhibits, so that such exhibits may then be forwarded to the Bureau. Mr. Heisey stated that he has secured the signature of the attorney for WILLIAM WEAVER but lacks the signatures of the attorneys for SAWYER and McDONALD. The Bureau has heretofore been advised by letter with respect to these exhibits.

With reference to the telephone call emanating from the Harvard Club on October 21, 1935, to Florence Finkelstein, 313 - 7th Avenue, Duluth, Minnesota, a communication was forwarded to Sheriff Sam M. Owens, who has previously cooperated with this office in this case, inquiring as to the identity of this person. Sheriff Owens advised that Florence Finkelstein is 32 years of age, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hymie Finkelstein, and is now living with her widowed mother, Mrs. Annie Finkelstein at the above address. She is employed as a

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clerk and stenographer in the office of the County Auditor of St. Louis County, Minnesota. She was appointed clerk and stenographer in the County Auditor's Office on November 8, 1927, resigned in October, 1929 so that she could accompany her parents to Detroit, Michigan. The County Auditor received a letter from her in March, 1930, requesting re-employment and his reply was favorable so that she was re-employed on April 8, 1930, and has been working for the County Auditor from said date. She has a brother Manuel who is employed at the Recreational Cigar Store in Duluth. He is about 27 or 28 years of age. She has two cousins, Dr. David Finkelstein of Duluth, a dentist, and Mannie Finkelstein in the ladies' ready to wear business in Virginia, Minnesota, both of whom are well known.

Further inquiry concerning this matter will be made by Special Agent John V. Anderson when next in Duluth, Minnesota.

Upon receipt of teletype message from the Oklahoma City Office on March 22, 1936, arrangements were made with the Superintendent of the branch Minneapolis Post Office serving 3441 Park Avenue South, Minneapolis, that Agent be informed as to when the letter addressed to Rose Zack would be delivered. Copies of the letter in question were obtained and forwarded to the Bureau, Oklahoma City, and Chicago Offices.


It was indicated from the text of the communication that the informant Stokes obtained his information from reading this letter, rather than from the writer directly, and the information contained therein is such as would indicate that the ALVIN referred to is some other person than ALVIN KARPIS.

It was determined that Rose Zack is employed as an inspector for the Kickernick Company with her sister Mrs. Geraldine Nelson, and that she and her sister have been residing at 3441 Park Avenue for the past 1 1/2 year and rent rooms from Mrs. and Mrs. George Diekman. Diekman is employed as a laborer for the Minneapolis Sanitation Department. Inquiry was made of Mrs. Herbert A. Christie, 4049 - 3rd Avenue South, Minneapolis, with whom Rose Zack and her sister roomed prior to moving to their present address. Mrs. Christie confessed ignorance of the acquaintances of these two girls.

Concerning the information contained in letter to the Director from the Kansas City Office dated March 23, 1936, relative to an individual known as Virginia, who is alleged to operate a rooming house or apartment hotel called Virginia's Place in Duluth, this office communicated with Sheriff Sam Owens of Duluth, requesting information regarding such place, in reply to which a letter was received to the effect that he had made a thorough check of rooming houses and hotels but was unable to obtain any information concerning any place known as Virginia's Place in Duluth.

Relative to request of the Jacksonville Office for further information concerning the telegram sent to Mrs. Jack Davenport from Miami on January 23, 1936, it was determined at the time the original request was made of the Jacksonville Office to determine the identity of the sender, that the telegram contained no information of value to this investigation. At that time the Manager of the Western Union Office at Minneapolis refused to permit Special Agent S. W. Hardy to examine the telegram, but Agent Hardy read it through the reverse side of the copy on file. Subsequent information obtained through telephone tap on the phone of DAVENPORT in Minneapolis, has developed information indicating that the sender of this telegram was Willie Heeney who has been located in Miami. This lead accordingly will be disregarded.

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This office will also endeavor to ascertain the identity of "Alvin" the friend or possibly former husband of Mrs. Geraldine Nelson, 3441 Park Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minn.

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April 1, 1936.

Director,
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Re: Brekid.

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PHONE. BREKID. REFERENCE BUREAU LETTER MARCH 21 TO JACKSONVILLE.

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501 Pealey Building
Atlanta, Georgia

SPECIAL DELIVERY

April 2, 1936

A. L. Joiner, Director
Motor Vehicle Department
109 State Capital Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

It is requested that you place on file in your Department a stop order for a Buick sedan, 1936 model, motor number 63052198, serial number 7895972. This car was last known to bear a 1935 Arkansas license number 5-732 and was registered in the State of Arkansas at Little Rock under the name of H. O. Bell, who gave his address as 318 Market Street, San Antonio, Texas. The Arkansas application number for this registration was 112530.

Should the above car be registered in the State of Georgia or should the above individual register any car in this State, it is requested that this office be advised by telephone immediately.

Your cooperation in this matter will be very much appreciated.

Very truly yours,

E. F. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge

CC: Bureau
Little Rock
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DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 2, 1936.

Time - 11:07 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

SAC MacFarland telephoned me from the Cleveland Office to report that they anticipate taking into custody today at Newton Falls, Ohio, one CLYDE ROCHET and his wife. Clayton Hall at Youngstown, Ohio, furnished information to the effect that he had passed word on to Clyde Rochet concerning how hot things were both in Youngstown and Little Rock, and the possibility of something happening. Clyde Rochet and his wife are very close to HUNTER, who is connected with Karpis, and just before the robbery of the train at Garrettsville, all of the fugitives met in Clyde Rochet's home to discuss the final plans.

After Clyde Rochet and his wife have been taken into custody and removed to Cleveland for questioning, Mr. MacFarland said they are going to release JOHN KETZER, who is the airplane pilot, to the Post Office Inspectors, this latter move being the suggestion of Mr. Connelley which has already been discussed with me.

There is also a possibility of today taking MILTON LETT into custody.

The Bureau will of course be kept advised of developments in this situation.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

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March 29, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SAC Connelley contacted me by phone upon his arrival at the Little Rock Office. He stated that the plane had got lost somewhere in the Kentucky or Tennessee hills and the trip had taken 13 hours; that they arrived at 4:25 P.M.

I asked Connelley about the newspaper situation there. He stated some reporter there made some inquiry about nine Agents or nine people going out of Cleveland in a plane for Little Rock; that they didn't have any facts that it was nine people but that there were only five on the plane. Mr. Connelley stated he thought the information had gotten out through the despatcher, who had to clear the air lines for the plane from Cincinnati to Cleveland; that the pilot of the plane leaving Cleveland had to call whoever controlled the air lines there so they would know what elevation he was going to fly. Connelley said that he heard the pilot make that call; that he never gave them any information as to who he was and that he told them he only had five passengers on the plane. He stated that the plane's first stop was at Louisville, where there was nobody around the field at all; they next landed at Memphis about 2:30 in the afternoon, and there wasn't any activity out there at all; that they finally landed at the airport in Little Rock; Connelley didn't see any reporters around, but somebody asked the pilots where they were from, but the pilots won't tell them who they are or who the Agents are. Connelley stated that Brantley met him out at the Little Rock airport.

I told Connelley the Director wanted to be sure that he realized the importance of the release, if there was any, and not to let anything come through the Post Office Department; that that was the reason the Director wanted this open line, where we can have a man relay the information to us. Connelley said he would arrange that as soon as he found the place and knew the circumstances of the situation; that he would get a line put in there and put Mr. Fletcher at the line and have him shoot the information into headquarters.

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Connelley stated he had two P.O. men with him there, besides the informant. I asked him if that was Hall and he replied that it was the fellow who had been working with Hall at Cleveland for some time.

I asked Connelley to relate to me the background of the information he had gotten, where it came from, etc, as it had developed after Mr. Connelley's conversation with Mr. Nathan and the Director on Saturday.

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He stated that Clayton Hall, the informant, advised he was down there three weeks ago with these fellows at this house, which is 7 miles out on the Malvern Road out of Hot Springs. He leased that place himself under his name and paid down \$240. for six months rent. He states that Karpis and Hunter are staying there now; that Karpis has a big red Buick Sedan which he purchased in Hot Springs about February 1, 1936, which he is supposed to be driving; that this place is located on a knoll, which is going to make it difficult to approach; that it is a wooded knoll, but that the other parts of the country around there are not wooded; that they have a small but rather elaborately furnished house out there, and that it is easy to watch from the house anybody approaching from any direction. Karpis and his companion have sleeping quarters above an entrance where they drive their car in. The house faces upon the main highway, and that gives them an opportunity to see everything that comes or goes along the main highway. They also have a large black Dane dog in there, which probably would make it a little difficult to get anywhere close to the place.

Connelley stated the informant advised that the gang probably has job planned out East and will probably come East about April 15, although they might come around April 1 or some time like that, if they haven't already started out East. Connelley stated that the only difficulty with the thing going through would be that the gang is already out of the place; that the Agents have the place planted at Youngstown, where the informant is staying, with the possibility they might show up there to contact him; that the informant will go to the door and invite them in when they come there. I advised Connelley that I had sent Agent Birch over there today also, and that Agent A. P. Barber was proceeding to Little Rock and would arrive at 7:32 P.M.

Connelley stated that just as soon as possible he would take another Agent and go over and look the territory over; that he would keep Agent Smith with the Post Office Inspectors while they were "messaging around" so he would know what they were doing.

I asked Connelley what was the last date that we knew Karpis was in this house, to which he replied that it was about three weeks ago; that the informant was there that night himself and was there with them at that time, and that there was a possibility that Fred Hunter would also be there. Hunter was one of the robbers in the Garrettsville train robbery on November 7, 1935. Connelley said that if both Karpis and Hunter were taken, it would be advisable to turn Hunter over to the Post Office Department and the Bureau would take Karpis, if they get him in shape to take him.

I asked Connelley who else he thought might be there besides these two individuals, to which he replied he expected only those two.

I told Connelley that the Director said to go to any expense in

setting up the wire connections necessary.

I asked Connelley how soon he thought any action would take place, and he said that he couldn't tell without first looking over the situation; that he was sure that nothing would take place tonight and felt it would be unwise to start anything even as early as the following morning; that he would advise the Bureau as soon as he had sized up the situation and mapped out a plan of action; that it would be a rather difficult place to observe and they wanted to make sure of what was in there before they hit it. Connelley stated he would let the Bureau know at any time anything developed that was material in the situation.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

April 2, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to letter from the New York Bureau Office dated March 27, 1936, (Bureau File No. 7-576) requesting advice from the office of origin as to whether further efforts should be made to reinterview Albert Gurante, 2808 - 35th Street, in an effort to obtain the address of Andrew Gurante.

It is noted that considerable investigation has been conducted by the New York and Jacksonville Offices to locate Andrew Gurante for the purpose of reinterviewing him concerning the information that he saw Alvin Karpis at the Colonial Hotel, 63rd Street and Broadway, New York City, and for further information concerning the statement made by Gurante that he saw Karpis at the El Commodore Hotel in Miami, Florida, in September, 1934.

Investigation by the Jacksonville Office revealed that Andrew Gurante was not considered reliable, and in view of the fact that a complete statement was obtained from Gurante on August 22, 1935, it is believed that further investigation to locate this individual for further interview is not warranted unless he is desired as a witness in the case now pending against Joseph E. Adams and Henry "Duke" Randall at Miami, Florida.

It is requested that you advise the Jacksonville and New York Offices whether Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, would desire the testimony of Gurante in the trial of the case against Adams and Randall.

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April 16, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1213, et al,
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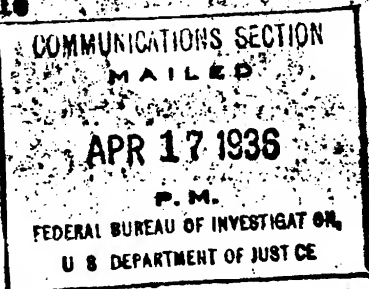
Reference is made to your letter of April 2, 1936,
concerning Albert Gurante, 2803 35th Street, New York City,
and the investigation contemplated in connection with determining
the present whereabouts of Andrew Gurante, who is alleged to have
seen Karpis at the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami, Florida in
September of 1934.

Please be advised that Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special
Assistant to the Attorney General, does not desire the testimony
of Gurante in connection with the trial of Joseph E. Adams and
Henry "Duke" Randall at Miami, Florida. It is, therefore, re-
quested that no efforts be made to determine the location of
Andrew Gurante.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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April 3, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FOXWORTH

Time - 2:45 P. M.

RE: BREKID CASE

With reference to the Virginia license numbers on the Auburn Sedan allegedly seen in Concord, Ohio on April 2, 1936 and the request made by Mr. Connelley of the Washington Field Office to check the license numbers to determine whether the owner of this car is in Ohio, I at the above stated time called Mr. McIntire at the Washington Field Office, who advised me that Agent Guy Hottel had checked this last night and had ascertained that the 1936 registrations in Virginia have not been alphabetized nor have they been indexed and it was, therefore, impossible to ascertain the present owner of this car. However, the resident agent will check the license numbers today and immediately advise Mr. Connelley of the results of this check.

Respectfully,

A. Rosen

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PHONE BREKID. WINT SMITH SUPERINTENDENT, KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL CALLED LONG DISTANCE THIS AFTERNOON, ADVISING HE HAS HAD TWO MEN ON SURVEILLANCE OF ALLEGED ^{ALVIN} HIDE OUT OF KARPIS AND OTHER SUBJECTS NEAR ARKANSAS AND MISSOURI LINE. A HIDE OUT OCCUPIED BY ONE ART HULBROOK AN EX CONVICT WHO HAS MADE BOASTS HE HAS BEEN WITH KARPIS ON JOBS. HULBROOK ALLEGED HAVE LEFT FAYETTEVILLE ARKANSAS NI PM APRIL SECOND VIA TRAIN FOR CINCINNATI OHIO AND STATEMENTS ATTRIBUTED TO HIM THAT HE IS TO JOIN THE MOB TO PARTICIPATE IN A JOB. SMITH STATED HAS NO WAY OF HANDLING WHICH IS REASON HE FURNISHED THE INFORMATION THIS OFFICE. HULBROOK DESCRIBED BY SMITH AS FOLLOWS FIVE FEET TEN OR ELEVEN, SLENDER BUILD, DARK SUIT, NO OVERCOAT, LIGHT HAT, BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES, DIAMOND STICKPIN IN NECKTIE, THICK LIPS. THIS INFORMATION FURNISHED CINCINNATI OFFICE BY LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE THIS AFTERNOON.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

April 2, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 19, 1936, concerning the above-entitled case (Bureau file No. 7-576), requesting that the Bureau be furnished with a standing photograph of Frank Foster and his wife, Dorothy.

In compliance with this request, there are transmitted herewith two copies of the requested photograph.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd
D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Notice
if you have any other reward
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Federal Bureau
Washington D.C.
Gentlemen we have got a man
in jail here that looks just like
Alvin Karpis, i have a reward
and picture of Karpis and a man
that has seen it says this man
is Karpis. he came to this country
about 3 years ago and married a girl
here he gave his name as
Alvin Turner. he moved out
out of this country. to Johnson County
Tenn. and changed his name to
D.R. Garland, when he came here
he had a chain and badge on a
number plate on it the name on
it was George Little, it was the
kind of chain and numbers that
the boys were in France in
the world's war, they have got him
arrested here for carrying arms and
stealing 2 trucks and a Raido
he has been going on long trips
for some time. to Illinois and
Florida Alabama Ohio. Penn,
i am sure he has stole several

bars in Ohio. about 18 months ago
he went up in Ohio. gone about 5-
days came back with a new
Ford car. took it off some where and
sold it, he goes around all the time
he tried to shoot the sheriff when
he arrested him, the sheriff had
to knock him down with his pistol
and took a 32 automatic off of him.
gentlemen

You all please write to Sheriff
J. M. Mooreland, Elizabethton
Tennessee, for finger prints of
Alvin Turner. and see if it is
Karpis, if it is not him it may be
some one else wanted by you
but I believe he is the man you
want

if it is Alvin Karpis, or any one
else wanted I claim the reward
offered for them

so I will close hoping to hear from
you soon. Yours very truly

James Wright. D.S.

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April 2, 1936.

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7-576-10533
Mr. T. H. Stapleton,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
508 Medical Arts Building,
Nashville, Tennessee.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau teletype dated April 1, 1936, to your office, wherein reference is made to the communication addressed to the Bureau by James Wright, Deputy Sheriff, Hopson, Tennessee, dated March 30, 1936, which was received in this Bureau on April 1, 1936, to the effect that he has in custody a person who appears to be identical with Alvin Karpis.

In accordance with previous information furnished you, there is transmitted herewith a copy of the communication referred to.

Very truly yours,

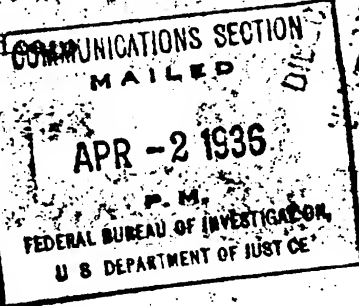
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc Cincinnati
St. Paul

E. J. Connelley, Chief



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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
1021 Bankers Building
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

April 2, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: WILLIAM ^OELMER ^OMEAD with aliases,
I. O. 1354 (BREKID)

Dear Sir:

4.7.7
Recently while Special Agent T. G. Melvin was at the Bureau of Identification, Milwaukee, Wisconsin Police Department, Superintendent Joseph Kluchsky, in referring to the Identification Order No. 1354 for William Elmer Mead, stated that the Identification Order reflects that William Elmer Mead has attempted to mutilate his fingerprints. Superintendent Kluchsky was of the opinion that a supplementary identification order should be issued for William Elmer Mead, and that his mutilated fingerprints should be shown on such supplementary identification order; further, that this would greatly aid law enforcement officials in locating Mead, as they would be unable to properly classify Mead's mutilated fingerprints and would, in all probability, be unable to identify him from the classification given on Identification Order No. 1354.

Very truly yours,

V. W. Peterson

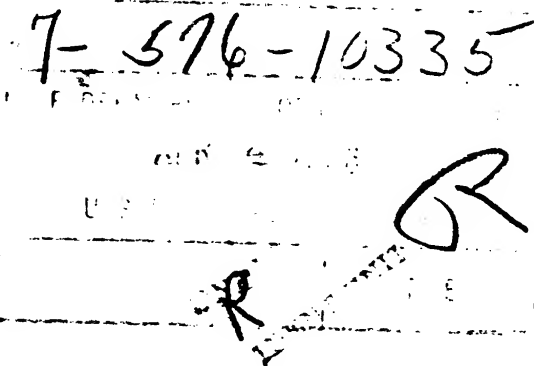
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EL PASO, TEXAS, APRIL 1, 1936

D E C O D E

D. Brantley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Dept. of Justice
224 Federal Bldg.
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Brekid. Jack Campbell brother of Harry Campbell now at 818 South Rockford, Tulsa reason unknown. Suggest appropriate surveillance. See my report March twenty seven for description automobile.

COLVIN

cc - BUREAU ✓
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D. BRANTLEY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
224 FEDERAL BLDG.
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

BREKID. RETEL MY TELEGRAM WAS SENT CORRECTLY SUGGEST YOU DECODE AS PER BUREAU LETTER MARCH TWENTY SIX.

COLVIN

OB GOVT RATE - Chg: Federal Bureau of Investigation
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-4 BC

REPORT MADE AT TRENTON, N. J.	DATE WHEN MADE 4-2-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3-24/30-36	REPORT MADE BY N. D. WILLS
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; ET AL. Edward George Bremer - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Surveillance maintained by Bureau Agents on Whelan Drug Store, Boardwalk, Atlantic City, New Jersey, from March 25, 1936 to March 30, 1936, upon receipt of information of possible presence of Harry Campbell in vicinity and that he had visited this drug store twice within short period of time. Surveillance unsuccessful. Agent at present time maintaining surveillance of drug store from within.

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DETAILS:

This is a joint report of Special Agent M. R. Griffin and the Reporting Agent.

This investigation is predicated upon information received by telephone on March 24, 1936, at 6:00 P. M., from Captain of Detectives Frank Ferretti, of the Atlantic City Police Department, pertaining to the possible presence of Harry Campbell in Atlantic City.

Special Agent M. R. Griffin, who was present in Atlantic City on official business, was immediately contacted by telephone by the Trenton Office and requested to contact Captain

APPROVED AND <i>E. L. Richmond</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">7-1576-11033</div> <div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold;">APR 4 1936</div>
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Ferretti regarding the matter.

At 6:10 P. M. Special Agent Griffin contacted Captain Ferretti at the Atlantic City Police Headquarters and in the presence of Captain Ferretti and Acting Chief of Police Captain Higby, interviewed Robert Lehman, an employee of the Whelan Drug Store, 1643 Boardwalk. Lehman stated as follows:

On Monday morning, March 23, 1936, shortly after he arrived at the aforementioned drug store, Elizabeth Paulin, a fountain attendant, came to him and said, "Your friend was here last night." When he asked her what friend, she said, "The one who was here about a year ago with that pregnant woman." She then further elaborated by mentioning the shooting affray which Karpis and Campbell had with the Atlantic City Police. Nothing further was said until Tuesday afternoon, March 24, 1936, at about 3:00 P. M., when Lehman was working at the fountain. A man came in and walked up to the counter to place an order. When this man saw Lehman, he said, "Hello," and Lehman answered, "Hello, how are you?" The man said, "Fine." In the meantime, Lehman was trying to place him and suddenly remembered that this was the man who was with Karpis at the time he visited the store over a year ago. He was about to ask the man where he had been all during the interim, but realized that would put him on his guard. This man ordered and drank two cups of bouillon and left the store. Immediately after this man went out, another man came in, accompanied by a red-haired woman. Lehman believed that there was some connection between the man who left and the man who came in, because the second man came in directly as the first man left. When the second man left with the woman, he went out of the side door to see if he could see where they went. He saw them get into a grey-blue taxicab and drive away, and was quite sure that there was another man already seated in the back of the cab.

He was afraid that if he went directly to Police Headquarters and told his story he would not be believed, inasmuch as they did not know him, so he contacted the police officer on the beat, whom he knew, and with him went to the Police Station, and reported what he knew.

Inasmuch as Special Agent in Charge E. L. Richmond and agents of the Trenton Office were on the way down to Atlantic City, Agent Griffin arranged to again interview Robert Lehman at his home, 140 South Maryland Avenue, Atlantic City, later in the evening, and to interview Elizabeth Paulin, 1 Colonial Terrace, Atlantic City.

At approximately 8:50 P. M., Special Agent in Charge E. L. Richmond arrived at Police Headquarters with Special Agent John A. Murphy and with Captain Ferretti and Agent Griffin proceeded to the home of Robert Lehman. A picture of Harry Campbell was placed among a number of other pictures and exhibited to Lehman for identification. He identified the picture of Harry Campbell, without hesitation, as being the man whom he saw at the drug store. He stated the man was dressed in a grey suit, grey topcoat, and pearl grey hat; had blue eyes, light brown hair, and was from 5' 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 5' 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " tall. He further stated that the grey-blue taxicab in which the man and woman drove away had a license plate in the center of the back, right under the rear window. He was unable to add any additional details to those already mentioned in this report.

Agents and Captain Ferretti and Lehman then proceeded to the home of Elizabeth Paulin, 1 Colonial Terrace, Atlantic City, where she was interviewed. She was shown the same pictures and unhesitatingly pointed out that of Harry Campbell as the man she had seen in the drug store. She stated that when he gave her his order she realized immediately who he was and was so frightened she was unable to answer him above a whisper. He ordered two cups of bouillon and left immediately after drinking them. As he went out a tall man with a dark moustache, carrying a cane, entered with a "petite" dark-haired girl. She said this man had a dark complexion and looked like a foreigner.

She described Campbell as wearing a grey suit, grey topcoat and pearl grey hat; about 5' 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " tall, blue eyes and light brown hair. She said she remembered seeing the man Campbell in the drug store accompanied by another man and two women about a year ago and remembers distinctly that one of the women was pregnant.

The day after that visit she saw the pictures in the local newspaper and recognized the men as Karpis and Campbell and the two women as their companions.

After these two interviews and on the night of March 24, 1936, Special Agent in Charge Richmond and Agents Murphy and Griffin visited the drug store and made a survey of it and its environs with a view to establishing a "plant."

After interviews with Thomas Golden, manager of Whelan Drug Store, 1643 Boardwalk, Atlantic City, New Jersey; W. R. McLaughlin, Local Supervisor and Manager of Whelan Drug Store, New York and Atlantic Avenues, telephone number 4-4256, Atlantic City, New Jersey; and James McCannon, District Manager of Whelan Drug Stores, 10th and Broad Streets, telephone number Pennypacker 6351, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Special Agent J. A. Murphy ascertained that it would be necessary to obtain the prior authority of J. J. Flaherty, Personnel Director of Whelan Drug Stores, 340 West 42d Street, New York City. Special Agent Murphy immediately telephonically communicated with Special Agent Jere Hickey, New York Bureau Office, and made arrangements with Agent Hickey to request the authority of J. J. Flaherty to install wires and other necessary equipment for the surveillance to be maintained, and also to permit an Agent of this Bureau to work behind the cigar counter in the Whelan Store above located. Agent Hickey shortly thereafter telephonically advised Agent Murphy the necessary authority had been granted by Mr. Flaherty. Special Agent Murphy obtained the authority of Charles Kirkland, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Traymore Hotel, to use the second floor (machine shop) of the Traymore Garage and to install such wires and other equipment necessary for the surveillance. It is noted here that the solarium of the Traymore Hotel is directly across the street from the Whelan Drug Store located at 1643 Boardwalk and affords not only an excellent view of the exterior of the drug store and the Boardwalk, but it is possible to recognize persons within the drug store. Also, the Traymore

Garage, approximately 400 feet to the rear of the drug store, provided a point of vantage in the surveillance, as it was so situated that Agents within could thwart any attempts to escape from the drug store by automobile. Field telephones and a buzzer were connected between the drug store and the garage so those within the garage could be notified at the time the suspected person entered the drug store; likewise, those Agents within the solarium had a prearranged signal that would advise of the presence of the subject.

Special Agent G. H. Erwin was placed in the drug store to work behind the cigar counter; Agents J. A. Murphy and H. E. Scott maintained surveillance from the Traymore Garage, and Agents D. E. Balch and the reporting Agent remained in the solarium of the Traymore Hotel as well as being part of the time on the Boardwalk directly across from the drug store.

This surveillance was continuous during the working hours of the drug store, from March 25, 1936 to March 29, 1936, inclusive. On March 30, 1936, upon the authority from the Bureau, Special Agent in Charge E. L. Richmond directed that this surveillance be stopped, with the exception of that part maintained by Special Agent Erwin, and that Agent Erwin was to remain in the drug store as an apparent clerk until otherwise notified. At the writing of this report Agent Erwin is continuing this surveillance.

While conducting a surveillance of the drug store, Special Agent Griffin was contacted by Robert Lehman at 3:50 P. M. on March 26, 1936, who informed that he had seen the tall man with the moustache get into a wheel chair for a ride on the boardwalk. Agent Griffin immediately communicated by phone with Special Agent in Charge Richmond at the K. of C. Hotel, and Agent H. E. Scott was dispatched to assist him in locating and "tailing" the aforementioned individual. Agents located chair #1148 on the Boardwalk near Inlet, Atlantic City, and maintained the surveillance of this individual, who was accompanied by the red-haired woman previously mentioned, until 10:00 P. M., when they entered the Hotel Traymore. Agents saw the man get into an elevator. While Agent Griffin began investigations as to the man's

identity, Agent Scott communicated with Special Agent in Charge Richmond, and Agent Murphy was sent to assist. Through the Assistant Manager of the Traymore Hotel, Mr. Runstrun, Agent Griffin ascertained that the negro elevator operator had let the man off at the 6th floor, but neither man knew his identity. Agents Murphy and Griffin checked the list of guests on the 6th floor, and through descriptions given by office employees of the hotel, ascertained that R. J. De Camp, Room 667, of 130 East 75th Street, New York, N. Y., was the man we had been "tailing." A check of the telephone calls charged to him showed that on March 22 and 23 he had called a New York number, Rhineland 4-1294. He had registered at the Traymore Hotel on March 13th with his wife and daughter but they returned to New York on March 24th.

The information regarding De Camp was telephoned to the New York Bureau Office, and the following information secured by them:

R. J. De Camp has been connected with the Chase National Bank since 1925 and has a bank account in the National City Bank. He has lived at 130 East 75th Street since 1933 in a six-room apartment. He went to Atlantic City with his wife and daughter on March 13, 1936, because of the elevator strike in New York City. The number which he called, Rhineland 4-1294, is his own number, and not listed in the telephone directory.

From personal observation of Agents, his description is as follows:

Height	6'
Weight	About 180 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Black, gray at sides.
Age	About 50 years
Peculiarities	Walks very slowly; appears to have foot trouble.
Dress	Well-dressed; carries cane.
Moustache	Black, close-cropped, following line of mouth.

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THE TRENTON OFFICE - Will report the outcome of the surveillance being maintained at the Whelan Drug Store, 1643 Boardwalk, Atlantic City, New Jersey, by Special Agent G. H. Erwin.

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1021 Bankers Building
Milwaukee Wisconsin

April 2, 1936

Mr. H. Patterson
Post Office Inspector
Ironwood, Michigan

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

It is requested that tracings of all first class mail addressed to the Blue Ribbon Casino, Mr. or Mrs. Frank Vioski, or Count Vioski, 207 Silver Street, Hurley, Wisconsin, be transmitted to this office for a further period of thirty days.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

V. W. PETERSON
Special Agent in Charge

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DIRECTOR

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Washington, D. C.

March 29, 1936.

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Mr. Keith	
Mr. Lester	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Schilder	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

Time - 12:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I talked with Mr. Brantley, who was in the Little Rock Office, who said that Mr. Connelley and the others have not as yet arrived, and they have heard nothing from him.

Concerning the Agents, there are the following: From Oklahoma City - SAC Brantley, Paul Hansen, Buchanan, John B. Little, Kingman, and J. V. Murphy; from Kansas City - Clary, McNulty and Cruise; from Dallas - C. O. Hurt, Mertz and Coulter. Appropriate equipment has been brought by these Agents.

Mr. Brantley said that they would stand by at the Little Rock Office until the arrival of Mr. Connelley, who is to call me upon his arrival there.

Time - 12:32 P.M.

I telephoned SAC MacFarland to ascertain what time Mr. Connelley and the others left last night. He said that they departed at 2:30 A.M. in a Ford Tri-Motor Plane, owned by the Sundroph Aeronautical Corporation of Cleveland. Mr. MacFarland has not heard anything from them since they left.

Upon my inquiry as to how Mr. Connelley came to get this information, Mr. MacFarland said that the informant, Clayton Hall, was picked up by the Agents and released, after which he was picked up by the Post Office Inspectors. He refused to talk to the Post Office Inspectors, and Mr. Connelley came over and got the information.

Incidentally, I authorized an expenditure of \$60.00 by the Cleveland Office in connection with the maintenance of the plant in this case out there.

Respectfully,
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P. E. FOXWORTH

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March 29, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

There is transmitted herewith a memorandum prepared on March 29, 1936, relative to the information contained in the Bureau files concerning one Fred Hunter, alias Harold King, who is allegedly traveling with Alvin Karpis.

Respectfully,

A. Rosen.

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MEMORANDUM

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It was reported on October 17, 1935, that individuals, one of whom was Harold King, occupied a cabin on Lake Hamilton in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas, from approximately the period June, 1935 to October, 1935, and while there were in possession of two Hudson automobiles, one bearing a 1935 Ohio license number H-372M, and the other a 1935 Ohio license H-65M. Information has also been obtained by the Cleveland, Ohio office of this Bureau to the effect that the car bearing license number H-372M was purchased by E. J. Parker, who was accompanied by Fred Hunter, a professional gambler and possible contact of the fugitive subjects of this case.

From investigation conducted to date, it appears that Fred Hunter is an associate of Thomas J. Shaw, alias Milton Lott; that both Lott and Hunter were wanted by the Post Office Department as suspects in the Garrettsville, Ohio mail train robbery which occurred on November 7, 1935. Subsequent investigation has failed to disclose the identity of the purchaser of the car bearing license plate H-65M.

It was learned from Inspector Hettrick of the Post Office Department that they were conducting investigations at Coffeyville, Kansas and Oklahoma in an effort to locate Milton Lott inasmuch as reports received by him indicated that Lott was last seen at Coffeyville during the middle or latter part of December, 1935. Through investigation conducted by the Post Office Department, it appears that Lott has been definitely connected with the Garrettsville mail train robbery which occurred on November 7, 1935. The Post Office Department have concentrated their efforts in the vicinity of Youngstown, Ohio, in an effort to locate him. Hettrick further advised the Bureau that he had learned that Agents of this Bureau were making inquiries concerning one Fred Hunter. In this connection the Post Office Inspectors have also been making an extensive investigation to locate Hunter who is a possible suspect in the Garrettsville mail train robbery inasmuch as Hunter is reported as having been in the company with Milton Lott. On the night of October 24, 1935, inquiries were made by them at the Plymouth Agency of the Knowles-Brown Company, 1440 West 25th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, regarding the Plymouth sedan which was purchased from that company on October 25, 1935, and used in the Garrettsville mail train robbery which occurred subsequently.

The Harvard Club, located at Cleveland, Ohio and operated by Art Heberbrand and James "Jimmy" Patton, is believed was frequented from time to time by Karpis and Campbell and other subjects who were in Cleveland in the spring and fall of 1934. Fred Hunter, a known gambler, has also frequented the Harvard Club. The records of the Identification Division of this Bureau, under FBI #04440, indicates that, as Fred John Randeraga,

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alias Fred Hunter, No. 9993, he was arrested by the Police Department at Toledo, Ohio, on June 3, 1920, charged with suspicion, carrying concealed weapons. On June 22, 1920, he was fined \$200. and cost, and sent to the County Jail. As Fred Hunter, alias Fred Harris, Police Department Akron, Ohio, No. 8140, he was arrested on October 28, 1922, charged with being fugitive from Warren, Ohio, and on April 17, 1923 he was sentenced to serve a term of three to twenty-seven years in the Ohio State Penitentiary on a charge of larceny and possession of dynamite. He was received at this institution as Fred Hunter, number 51373, on April 17, 1923.

An identification of the photograph of Fred Hunter as being identical with Harold King, one of the occupants of the cabin on Lake Hamilton, was reported by the Little Rock office in the report of Special Agent S. L. Darron on February 8, 1936. The photographs of Milton Lett and William Hunter were not identified as associates of Fred Hunter on that occasion.

From information furnished by a confidential informant at Hot Springs, Arkansas, it appears that a person resembling Karpis had been in Hot Springs during November, 1935, and had arrived in a private airplane at the Municipal Airport. Johnny Stover, who is in charge of the local airport at Hot Springs and who was a Government witness in the Kansas City Massacre case, related on November 11, 1935 at Stinson, four passenger, airplane, bearing number NC-12100, arrived in Hot Springs, Arkansas, about noon and apparently came from the East. It contained three passengers and a pilot. Stover identified one of the passengers as Fred Hunter and stated that the other party bore a slight resemblance to Karpis, particularly the facial characteristics "from the nose down". It should be noted that Stover stated that this information was given to the Post Office Inspectors and his identification was effected through information furnished by the Post Office Inspectors. He further related that the person traveling with Hunter, who is possibly Karpis, wore his hat pulled down over his eyes and also wore shell-rimmed glasses. He did not observe any scars on the face of this person and was of the opinion that the person possibly identical with Karpis had an impediment of speech.

Upon leaving the plane, Stover related that Hunter made inquiries as to whether a woman had been at the airport to meet them and, upon being informed that no person had inquired concerning Hunter, he (Hunter) made a telephone call from the hangar, and thereafter Stover drove these persons to Hot Springs.

Efforts to trace this telephone call did not materialize. Hunter and the other person with him, possibly Karpis, were driven by Stover to downtown Hot Springs and they left the car at a point on Central Avenue near the Como Hotel, and were not seen by Stover until approximately one week later at which time Hunter returned to the airport in a taxicab, accompanied by a young girl who was described as being 18 years of age, 5 feet two inches tall, weight 115 pounds, medium dark complexion, dark bobbed curly hair, and well dressed. At this time Stover was hired to fly Hunter and the girl to San Antonio, Texas. Upon arrival at San Antonio and landing at the Army Auxiliary Field, Hunter immediately thereafter, accompanied by the girl, left the airport in a taxicab. The registration of the arrival of Stover's plane at this point was registered with the officials of the Army Auxiliary Field at San Antonio and soon thereafter Stover returned alone to Hot Springs, and has not seen either of the parties since.

At a later date, relative to the first appearance of Hunter and a person possibly identical with Karpis, at Hot Springs, Arkansas, at which time they were observed by Stover, it appears that Stover learned from one of the employees of the airport that some women in a Hudson sedan had made inquiry at the airport on the morning of November 11, 1935, and Stover assumed that these were the women about whom Hunter made inquiry.

It should be noted that on November 11, 1935, two persons got out of the plane which arrived in Hot Springs, one being Hunter and the other a person possibly identical with Karpis. The remaining two passengers left the airport after the plane was refueled, Stover, however, obtaining the number of the plane which bore number NC-12180, the pilot at this time giving the name of "Petquer".

From information recently furnished the Bureau, it appears that the Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa, Oklahoma, had interviewed Stover and had informed him that Karpis was the associate of Fred Hunter, who disembarked from the airport at Hot Springs, and that the Post Office Inspectors had further told him that the Stinson airplane, after leaving Hot Springs, proceeded West and was forced down about twenty-five miles from Fort Smith, Arkansas. After this forced landing, the plane proceeded to Fort Smith and thence to Tulsa, Oklahoma. Stover was further informed that the Post Office Department were seeking the apprehension of Hunter and in addition thereto had offered a \$2,000 reward for the apprehension of Karpis.

Arrangements have been effected to have Stover immediately advise the Little Rock office on receipt of any further information relative to the appearance of persons previously referred to.

It was ascertained by the Washington Field office that the Stinson plane referred to was owned by John Zetzer of Port Clinton, Ohio, who purchased this plane from the Ocean Sales Air Service, East Toledo, Ohio. From the records reviewed, it does not appear that Zetzer is a licensed pilot at the present time. It also appears that Stover was advised by the Post Office Inspectors that the airplane had been purchased by the gang.

An informant of the Cleveland office, upon viewing the photograph of Fred Hunter, stated that Hunter was employed at the Harvard Club in the spring of 1935 and, while employed there as a card dealer, appeared to be very intimate with Art Heberbrand and Tony Masarbach. Tony is known as a strong-arm man about the Harvard Club. It was further ascertained that Hunter was believed to be residing somewhere in the vicinity of Madison and Rocky River Road in an apartment building in Cleveland, Ohio. However, Hunter could not be identified as ever having resided in this vicinity.

From information furnished by Detective Robert Van Stoneberg of the Akron Police Department, it appears that J. T. Dunn, a local gambler, viewed the photograph of Milton Lett and that he knew this person by the name of Thomas J. Shaw, it appearing that he first became acquainted with him over a year ago, at which time Shaw was brought to Dunn's place by Fred Hunter. Dunn knew Hunter under the name of Fred King. It also appears that Lett played cards at Dunn's gambling place and also appeared to be "well heeled", having in his possession at all times sums of money aggregating \$1,000.

The criminal record of Lett as contained in the Bureau's files indicates that he was arrested on October 19, 1935, by the Akron Police Department as Thomas J. Shaw, number 26537, on a charge of suspicion. At the time of this arrest, one Clayton Hall of Youngstown, Ohio, was picked up with him and was later released.

On the occasion of Lett's arrest, Fred Hunter came to Dunn and requested Dunn to intercede on behalf of Lett who was being held by the Akron Police Department. However, since that time Lett has been released and was subsequently arrested by the Coffeyville, Kansas Police Department on November 6, 1935, on a charge of robbery, first degree.

It is interesting to note that the Carrettsville mail train robbery occurred on November 7, 1935. The record contained in the Identification Unit of this Bureau reflects that Milton Lett was arrested by the Sheriff's office at Yates Center, Kansas, on November 7, 1935, the date of the Carrettsville mail train robbery on a charge of holdup investigation and that he was subsequently released.

Detective Van Stenberg also has furnished the Cleveland office with information to the effect that Fred Hunter was in Akron, Ohio on October 18, 1935, being interested in the sale of some gambling equipment in Cleveland. Hunter was taken to Cleveland by a local Akron man on October 18, 1935 and was introduced to Art Heberbrand of the Harvard Club, and "Chippy" Patton, who is also associated with the Harvard Club. It appears that both Heberbrand and Patton placed orders for equipment with the Akron man, who in turn gave Hunter a commission for the sale of such equipment.

It further appears that Hunter told the Akron man that he had traded a Ford coupe in Cleveland for a new Ford V-8 sedan and that the deal would go through in several days. The Ford V-8 referred to has been previously mentioned in this memorandum.

It also appears that Fred Hunter was in Washington, D. C. sometime in October and sold to one John Evans, a gambler in Washington, D. C., a large order of gambling equipment.

The complete criminal record of Milton Lett, which is contained in the Identification Division of this Bureau under FBI number 1008739, indicates that he was arrested by the Wichita, Kansas Police Department, as Milton Lett, number 4591-D-175, on a charge of vagrancy, on November 2, 1930; that he was arrested by the Coffeyville, Kansas Police Department on February 10, 1931, as J. M. Lett, number 578, on a charge of investigation and was released on February 12, 1931, and that he was again arrested by the Coffeyville, Kansas Police Department on September 3, 1932, as J. M. Lett, number 493, on a charge of investigation, no disposition given. He was arrested as Thomas J. Shaw, number 26337, by the Akron, Ohio Police Department on October 19, 1933, on a charge of suspicion, no disposition given. On November 6, 1935 he was arrested by the Coffeyville, Kansas Police Department as Milton Lett, alias J. M. Lett, number 11635-B, on a charge of robbery, first degree, no disposition given. The Sheriff's office, Yates Center, Kansas, arrested him under the name of J. M. Lett, alias Milt Lett, number 171, on November 7, 1935, on a charge of holdup investigation, later releasing him.

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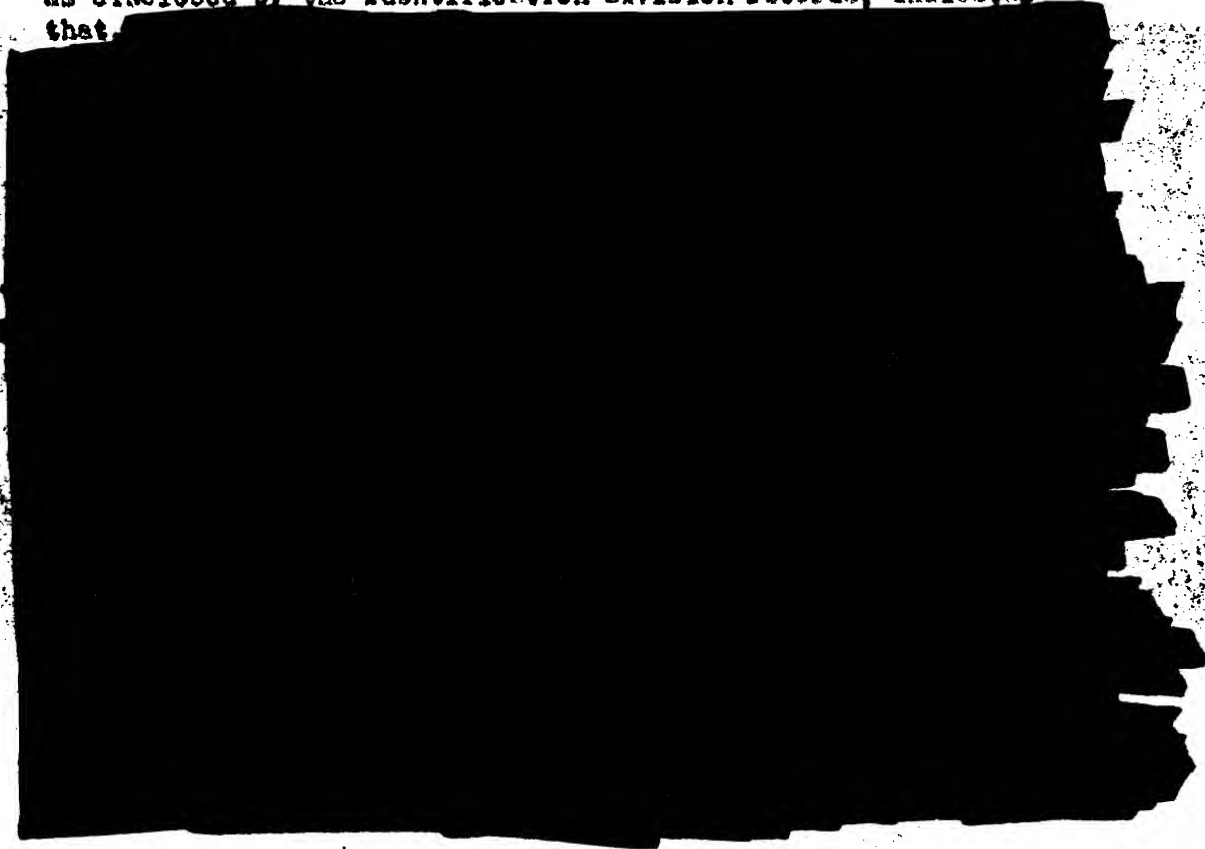
With reference to the Ford V-8 car which was allegedly purchased by Fred Hunter, under the name of Harold King, and which was supposed to have been registered in Warren County, Ohio, as reflected by the information furnished the Cleveland office by Detective Van Stoneberg of the Akron Police Department, investigation disclosed that there was no record of the registration of this car by Harold King at Warren, Ohio. It further appears that no new Ford V-8 car has been registered by Fred King or in the name of any of the known aliases of Fred Hunter.

The photograph of Fred Hunter was also exhibited to Al Dyer, owner of Dyer's Landing, who identified the photograph of Fred Hunter as being identical with the person known to him as Harold King. Dyer is located at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Dr. Paul Z. Browne, located in the Medical Arts Building, Hot Spring, Arkansas, identified the photograph of Fred Hunter as being the person treated by him in June and July, 1935, and giving the name of Fred Hunter.

The criminal record of John Zetzer, who is probably identical with John Zetzer mentioned herein as the airplane pilot, as disclosed by the Identification Division records, indicates that.

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The information furnished by the Washington Field office with reference to the physical description of Zetzer discloses he was born in Youngstown, Ohio on December 15, 1900 and he is variously indicated as being 5 ft. 7 in., 5 ft. 8 in., and 5 ft. 9 inches tall, with weight varying between 140 and 150 pounds, black hair and brown eyes. The Washington Field office has been requested to obtain a photograph of John Zetzer at the Bureau of Aeronautics, U. S. Department of Commerce.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO

MILWAUKEE

FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT Milwaukee, Wisconsin	DATE WHEN MADE 3-31-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3-21, 26, 30-36	REPORT MADE BY T. G. MELVIN TGL:AB
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, I. O. 1236, et al.; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation at Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, relative to the individual receiving mail at 8733 Glencoe Circle, Wauwatosa, reflects that there is a woman presently residing there who answers the description of Helen (Peaches) Butler. Photograph made by Pyke Studio, Peoria, Illinois, found in apartment occupied by G. L. Jordan and wife, Madison, Wisconsin, transmitted to St. Louis office. No record of forwarding address furnished by Mrs. G. L. Jordan, Madison, Wisconsin.			
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REFERENCE:		Letter from Cleveland office to Milwaukee office, 2-25-36; report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, St. Louis, Mo. 2-19-36; letter from Chicago office to St. Louis office 3-13-36; report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, St. Louis, Mo. 3-18-36; letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Ill. 3-18-36.	
DETAILS:		AT WAUWATOSA, WISCONSIN Agent interviewed Herman J. Biesen, Superintendent, Wauwatosa Post Office, relative to the individuals who were receiving mail at 8733 Glencoe Circle, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, and he referred agent to Harry Dresner, a carrier who serves the route on which 8733 Glencoe Circle is located.	
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>V. W. Peterson</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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Agent was advised by Harry Dresner that the only party he can recall now receiving mail at 8733 Glencoe Circle is a Mrs. Alexander, first name unknown; that there are two or three other women receiving mail at this address but that he does not know their names; that about two weeks ago a letter was received addressed to the Postmaster at Milwaukee for the Superintendent at Wauwatosa, directing that any mail received for the individual who signed the letter should be directed to 8733 Glencoe Circle. Mr. Dresner stated that he did not recall the name signed to the letter but was of the impression that it was possibly Butler. Agent endeavored to locate this letter, both at the Wauwatosa substation and the main office of the Milwaukee Post Office, without result. The description of Mrs. Alexander furnished by carrier Dresner is similar to that of Helen (Peaches) Butler. Agent was further advised by carrier Dresner that he has never seen any men around the house and from the suspicious actions and appearances of the occupants of the house, he assumed that it was possibly a house of ill fame. However, he stated he had no definite information in this regard.

A letter has been directed to the Post Office Inspector, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, requesting that a mail cover be placed on all first class mail going to 8733 Glencoe Circle, Wauwatosa, for a period of thirty days, for the purpose of ascertaining the names of the parties who are receiving mail at this address.

AT MADISON, WISCONSIN

Agent interviewed Mr. Arthur A. Frautschi, 120 East Wilson Street, and secured from him the photograph of a baby found in the apartment occupied by Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Jordan after they had vacated the apartment. There was also secured a small photograph which was enclosed in an envelope with the following inscription contained thereon:

"G. L. Gordon
3 x 5 1.53
best on Pd."

The large photograph made by the Pyke Studio at Peoria, Illinois, is an enlargement of the smaller photograph. The wrapper in which this photograph was contained was also secured. This photograph is addressed to Mrs. G. L. Jordan, 120 E. Wilson Apt. L, Madison, Wis.

A business card of Walter B. Whipple, M. D., 119 South Adams Street, was also secured from Mr. Frautschi, together with letters addressed to Dr. Walter B. Whipple, M. D., 119 South Adams Street, Peoria, Illinois, and the Pyke Studio, 116 1/2 South Adams Street, Peoria, Illinois. The replies of Dr. Whipple and the Pyke Studio are found at

the bottom of these letters. All of the above named documents and photographs are being transmitted to the St. Louis office for its assistance in conducting a further investigation at Peoria, Illinois.

The Milwaukee office is in receipt of a copy of a letter dated January 31, 1936 addressed to Mr. William H. McCormick, Chief of Police, Madison, Wisconsin, by the Director. This letter reflects that the Bureau was in receipt of a letter dated January 24, 1936, from Chief of Police McCormick requesting a copy of Identification Order 1218 on Subject Karpis; further, that it was the Chief's impression that Karpis was the man who occupied the home of Richard Graham, who is now under sentence for robbery at Madison, Wisconsin, at the time Graham's home was raided. Investigation was conducted by Special Agents J. L. Madala and Albert Franz relative to the activities of John Sampson and Richard Graham, who was arrested with Sampson, and the results of such investigation are contained in the report of Special Agent J. L. Madala dated at Chicago, Illinois, 11-30-35. This investigation concerned the holdup of a jewelry store operated by R. W. Nelson, 330 State Street, Madison, Wisconsin, on May 23, 1935. Sampson and Graham were subsequently arrested on suspicion, and a search of their apartment revealed part of the stolen merchandise obtained from the above burglary. Both Sampson and Graham were subsequently convicted for this crime and sentenced to serve one to fifteen years in the Wisconsin State Prison, Waupun, Wisconsin. Information subsequently was received by the Madison, Wisconsin Police Department to the effect that the jewelry store actually was burglarized by Volney Davis.

The writer also conducted investigation relative to the possible connection of Volney Davis and Alvin Karpis with this jewelry holdup, and the results of said investigation are contained in the report of Special Agent T. G. Melvin dated at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, December 27, 1935. Efforts to secure identifications of Volney Davis and Alvin Karpis, as well as other members of the Barker-Karpis mob, in connection with the holdup of the Nelson jewelry store were unsuccessful.

Relative to the lead set forth in the report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, dated at St. Louis, Missouri, February 19, 1936, to ascertain from police authorities whether or not Volney Davis might possibly have assisted John Sampson in the robbery of the jewelry store at Madison, Wisconsin, on May 23, 1935, the writer was advised by Captain of Detectives Leo Kinney of the Madison, Wisconsin Police Department that no one was able to identify the man involved with Sampson in the robbery as the victims of the robbery did not see Sampson's companion.

For the information of the St. Louis office the following description of the Graham-Paige Sedan found in John Sampson's possession at the time of his arrest is set forth:

Make - ~~V~~Graham-Paige Sedan
 Motor No. 509551
 Chassis No. 504322
 This car was black in color and was purchased from the Bird-Sykes Co., 2215-2225 Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, the salesman handling the transaction being J. E. Homolka.

Through the cooperation of Postmaster Walter J. Hyland, Madison, Wisconsin, agent examined the forwarding address requests made at the United States Post Office during June, 1935, but the name of Mrs. G. L. Jordan does not appear among such forwarding addresses.

As a result of the mail cover placed at Hurley, Wisconsin on the mail of Frank J. Vioski, this office was advised that Vioski received the following letters:

<u>Return Address</u>	<u>Addressee</u>	<u>Postmark</u>
+ American Pistachio Corporation, Importers, 111 Reade Street, New York, New York	Mr. Frank J. Vioski, Blue Ribbon Casino 207 Silver St., Hurley, Wis.	Hud. Term. Annex New York 3-10 7 P. M.
+ Paris Bead & Novelty House 305 W. Adams Street Chicago, Ill.	Blue Ribbon Casino 207 Silver St., Hurley, Wis. Attention F. J. Vioski	Chicago, Ill. 3-11-36 6 P. M.
+ Stewart & McGuire, Inc. Empire State Bldg., 350 Fifth Avenue New York, New York	Mr. Frank J. Vioski 207 Silver Street Hurley, Wisconsin	New York, N. Y. Mar. 13 7 P. M.
Suite 606 103 Park Avenue New York, N. Y.	Mrs. Frank Vioski, Blue Ribbon Casino, 207 Silver Street Hurley, Wisconsin	

<u>Return Address</u>	<u>Addressee</u>	<u>Postmark</u>
X Pin Table Division, Mills Novelty Co., 4040-4118 Fullerton Ave., Chicago, Ill.	Mr. Frank J. Vioski, 207 Silver Street Hurley, Wisconsin	Chicago, Ill. Feb. 28-8 P. M.
X Mills Novelty Co., 4100 Fullerton Ave., Chicago, Ill.	Mr. Frank J. Vioski 207 Silver Street Hurley, Wisconsin	Chicago, Ill. March 2, 1936 Meter
X Badger Novelty Company Jobbers & Distributors 2546 North 30th St. Milwaukee, Wisconsin	Frank J. Vioski 207 Silver St. Hurley, Wisconsin	Milwaukee, Wis. March 2 10 P. M.
No return address	Mrs. Vera Vioski 207 Silver St. Hurley, Wisc.	Waukegan, Ill. Feb. 25, 1936 6 P. M.
Mills Novelty Co. 4100 Fullerton Ave. Chicago, Illinois	Special Delivery - Frank J. Vioski 207 Silver Street Hurley, Wisconsin	Feb. 24, 1936 Chicago, Ill.
Mills Novelty Co. 4100 Fullerton Ave. Chicago, Illinois	Frank J. Vioski 207 Silver Street Hurley, Wis.	Feb. 25, 1936
John N. Germack 1346 E. Vernor Highway Detroit, Michigan	Frank J. Vioski, 207 Silver St., Hurley, Wis.	Detroit, Michigan 3-7-36 9 P. M.

No undeveloped leads are being set out to interview the parties from whom the above letters were received, as same is being left to the discretion of the office of origin. The mail cover has been continued for another period of thirty days.

The letter from the Chicago office to the St. Louis office, dated March 13, 1936, reflects that telephone calls were made to Hilltop 9502-J-4 and Hilltop 6782, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, from Peoria 6913. Agent ascertained by inquiry at the Telephone Company that Hilltop 9502-J-4 is listed under the name of the Sunset Tavern, Brown Deer Road and Wauwatosa Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Hilltop 6782 is listed to Fred R. Judd, 2967 North 55th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The City Directory reflects that Fred R. Judd is a salesman for the Tews Lime and Cement Co., North 30th and West Wright Streets, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Relative to the 1936 gray Ford Sedan bearing 1936 Wisconsin license No. 30008, which was observed at 302 North Adams Street and 210 Hamilton Street, Peoria, Illinois, as reflected in the report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, St. Louis, Missouri, March 18, 1936, inquiry at the office of the Secretary of State, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, disclosed that this license is issued to the Fredman Bag Co., 230 East Clybourn Street for a 1935 Ford Touring Sedan, motor No. 2166851.

The Milwaukee City Directory reflects that the Fredman Bag Co. was established in 1899 and is engaged in the manufacture of burlap and cotton bags. Samuel Fredman is president, Vera M. Matthews is vice president and Percy Fredman is secretary.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

MILWAUKEE OFFICE: Will report the result of the mail cover placed on 8733 Glencoe Circle, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, and will conduct investigation to determine the identity of the recipients of the telephone calls from Peoria 6913 to Hilltop 9502-J-4, and Hilltop 6782, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, as well as 10-F-13, Slinger, Wisconsin; 83-F, Doyle Tremont Hotel, Columbus, Wisconsin, and 4283 Heidelberg Inn, Medford, Wisconsin.

Will also conduct investigation at health resorts in the state of Wisconsin for the purpose of ascertaining if Harry Campbell has appeared at such resorts.

ST. LOUIS OFFICE: Will, at Peoria, Illinois, conduct investigation at the Pyke Studio, for the purpose of developing any further information in their possession relative to the photograph of the baby found in the apartment occupied by Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Jordan. It will be noted by reference to page 3 of the report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, St. Louis, Missouri, 2-19-36, that Alvin Steitmatter, manager, Pyke Studio, Peoria, Illinois, stated that he received a letter postmarked Madison, Wisconsin, directing him to forward the photograph of the baby to General Delivery, Madison, Wisconsin. The wrapping paper in which the photograph was sent to Madison should be exhibited to Mr. Steitmatter inasmuch as this reflects that it was sent to 120 East Wilson rather than to General Delivery, Madison, Wisconsin.

CLEVELAND OFFICE: Is requested to obtain a photograph, if possible, of Helen (Peaches) Butler for the purpose of conducting further investigation at 8733 Glencoe Circle, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, or around the resorts in the vicinity of Milwaukee. Information to the effect that Helen (Peaches) Butler is now around some resort near the lake in Wisconsin, probably near Milwaukee, is contained in the letter dated March 18, 1936, from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley to the Milwaukee office. This letter sets out pertinent portions of the report of Special Agent W. B. O'Mahoney, dated March 10, 1936, at Cleveland.

PENDING

March 30, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FOXWORTH

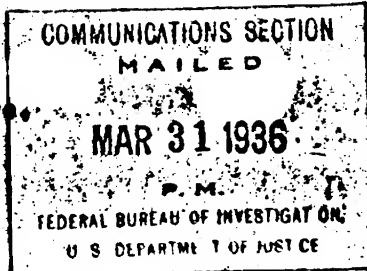
In regard to the attached letter dated March 25, 1936, from the Special Agent in Charge at Oklahoma City, covering a conversation which he had with the [redacted] and which refers in considerable detail to the lack of cooperation upon the part of the Post Office Inspectors in the Karpis case, I think it would be well for you to prepare a memorandum to the Attorney General, with a copy to Mr. Holtzoff, giving the details of this particular situation. A few days ago, as I recall it, at the request of Mr. Holtzoff we sent to him a memorandum listing the instances in which the Post Office Department had failed to extend the proper cooperation to representatives of this Bureau. At that time we did not have this additional information, and this information, together with what occurred at Youngstown handled by Special Agent in Charge Connelley, should be incorporated into a memorandum giving the entire picture of that incident, in which I believe the Attorney General would be interested. I suggest that you get Mr. Connelley to submit as soon as possible a detailed report upon the angle which he is conversant with and then you could combine that information with the information which is contained in the attached letter from Mr. Brantley.

Very truly yours,

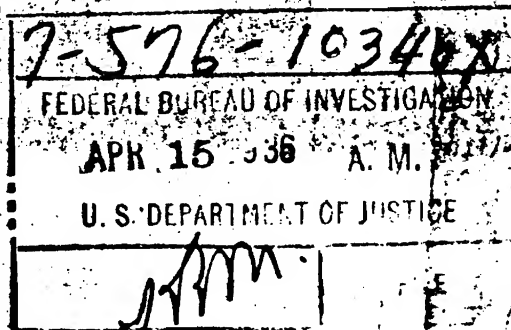
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Mr. Clegg
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-82

REPORT MADE AT Chicago, Illinois	DATE WHEN MADE 4/2/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/31; 4/1/36	REPORT MADE BY R. C. SURAN RCS/ehc
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Dave McIntee, 5542 Ellis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, employed as superintendent of Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company, a reputable concern. McIntee received a watch March 27, 1936, from J. F. Goldberg, Hot Springs, Arkansas, which watch was to be delivered to jeweler for repair. J. F. Goldberg brother of Sol Goldberg, president of the Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company, Chicago, Illinois. Connie Morris, alias Connie Hamm, unknown to officials of the Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>On March 31, 1936, Special Agent in Charge Chapmon Fletcher telephoned the Chicago Office from Little Rock, Arkansas, and stated to Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd that one Grace Goldstein, who operates a house of prostitution at Hot Springs, Arkansas, had as an inmate one Connie Morris, alias Connie Hamm, who was a girl friend of Sam Hunter, who was known around Hot Springs, Arkansas, as Harold King; that Karpis and Hunter had been at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and had left there on Thursday morning, March 26, 1936, accompanied by the above-named Connie; that in checking on her activities it had been learned that on March 9, 1936, she sent an insured parcel post package to one Dave McIntee, the only address known being Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Fletcher advised that Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley desired that an immediate check be made concerning the identity and background of Dave McIntee.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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By consulting the Chicago Telephone Directory it was noted that the name McIntte did not appear; however, there was a Dave McIntee residing at 5542 Ellis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

By consulting the 1928 Chicago City Directory it was noted that the name David McIntee appeared, giving the address of 5544 Ellis Avenue and the occupation of McIntee as being a superintendent. The name McIntte did not appear in the Chicago City Directory for the year stated, which is the most recent city directory published for Chicago, Illinois.

Telephone communication was immediately had with the St. Louis Office with the request that they check the automobile registrations for the State of Illinois under the names Dave McIntee, Dave McIntte, Connie Morris, and Connie Hamm.

The St. Louis Office subsequently advised by telephone on March 31, 1936, that Agent Norris of the St. Louis Office had made a search of the automobile registrations at Springfield, Illinois, under the above names and had found that on December 12, 1935, Illinois 1936 license No. 45542 had been issued to David McIntee, 5542 Ellis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, for a 1935 Studebaker Sedan, motor No. 52513, which car was purchased from F. W. Lute, 5915 Calumet Avenue, Hammond, Indiana. Application for license for this car was notarized by Clements Levinson, 3527 Costello Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Agent Norris further learned that 1935 registration for this car showed the address of David McIntee as 5542 Ellis Avenue, Calumet City, Illinois. The latter named city probably was recorded in error on this registration, as it is noted that Dave McIntee resides at 5542 Ellis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Agent Norris was unable to locate any car registered under the names of Dave McIntte, Connie Hamm, or Connie Morris.

Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and R. C. Suran immediately proceeded to the Jackson Park Substation of the Post Office, 6313 Langley Avenue, where it was determined that Peter Wolfe, 6420 South Rockwell Street, was the carrier who covered the address of 5542 Ellis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Wolfe stated that he knew that Dave McIntee with his wife and two daughters resided at the above address and from all appearances the McIntee family were reputable and he observed Mr. McIntee at this address almost every day at the time he, Wolfe, made

his first delivery of mail. Wolfe advised that he had not delivered an insured package to Mr. McIntee. He stated that on one occasion he recalled Mrs. McIntee receiving a notice to call at the post office for a package and from later conversation he learned that the package in question was some lottery tickets which had been mailed to Mr. McIntee, and upon learning this fact Mrs. McIntee did not call for the package. He stated that this occurrence took place about three months ago. Wolfe advised that he did not know the occupation of Mr. McIntee and could furnish no additional information concerning this matter.

Special Agents R. C. Suran and D. P. Sullivan thereafter proceeded to the vicinity of the address of 5542 Ellis Avenue and noted that it was a two-flat structure in a respectable appearing neighborhood. By observing the alley back of this address it was noted that 1935 Studebaker Sedan, bearing 1936 Illinois license No. 45542 was parked therein, as was a truck bearing the name on the side "R. Peterson." No further investigation could be made inasmuch as there was some individual in the garage, who was later found to be David McIntee.

Subsequently, on April 1, 1936, Special Agent in Charge Chapman Fletcher telephonically advised the Chicago Bureau Office that the registered package which supposedly had been mailed by Connie Morris, alias Connie Hamm, to Mr. McIntee at Chicago, Illinois, was Insured Parcel No. 14985.

At the Tracing Section, Inquiry Division of the Post Office, Chicago, Illinois, interview was had by Agent Suran with Mr. Richter, and it was learned that the above number referred to a package which, according to the insured receipt, was addressed to Dave McIntire, 1918 Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and was delivered to this individual on March 27, 1936, the package having been forwarded from Hot Springs, Arkansas. The package was signed for by Dave McIntee, by G. Herskzinska. Mr. Richter explained that the name Dave McIntire would have been placed thereon by the carrier, and this probably would account for the discrepancy in the names appearing on the receipt. The receipt further indicated that the package was delivered by Carrier No. G-16082, from the 22nd Street Post Office, 22nd and State Streets, Chicago, Illinois.

At the 22nd Street Post Office Station it was learned that two carriers cover the route which includes the address 1918

Prairie Avenue, these being Carriers Carrington and Gill, both colored.

Carrier Gill was interviewed and stated that the address 1918 Prairie Avenue was occupied by the Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company, which was quite a large concern, having factories in the United States and Canada; that he knew Sol Goldberg, president of this organization, and that Goldberg was reputed to be a millionaire and bore a very good reputation. Gill further advised that a Mr. Levinson is another official of this concern, which employs probably one hundred girls and twenty-five men in the manufacture of hairpins. He stated that the advertising manager of this concern was one Irving Green, who is presently promoting what is known as a "search for talent," and he receives considerable mail in this regard, which apparently consists of photographs forwarded to the Hump Hairpin Company by various women from all over the country, this being an advertising scheme for the promotion of the sales of the Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company. Gill stated that he knew no one by the name of Dave McIntee and did not recall delivering a package to this individual.

Special Agents R. P. Shanahan and R. C. Suran observed that the Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company is apparently quite an elaborate organization, judging from the appearance of its factory, located at 1918 Prairie Avenue.

These agents interviewed Sol Goldberg, president of the Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company, under the theory that perhaps Connie Morris, alias Connie Hamm, may have previously been employed by this organization and had friends working there to whom she might send a package and otherwise communicate with. Sol Goldberg stated that no one by the name of Connie Morris or Connie Hamm had ever been employed by his company so far as he was able to determine. Mr. Goldberg then called in Mr. Irving Green and advised that the name Connie Hamm or Connie Morris had never appeared in connection with the "search for talent" program that is now being conducted by the Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Goldberg stated that perhaps his superintendent could throw some light on this situation, and he called this individual into the office; it resulted that the superintendent was Dave McIntee. Mr. McIntee stated that no one had worked in the Chicago plant by the name of Connie Morris or Connie Hamm. Mr. Green and Mr. McIntee were then questioned concerning the receipt by the company of

a package from Hot Springs, Arkansas. Mr. McIntee then stated that he knew the situation to which Agent referred and produced a letter written on the stationery of the Quapaw Baths, Hot Springs, Arkansas, from Mr. J. F. Goldberg, which letter Mr. McIntee permitted Agent Suran to read. This letter indicated that Mr. Goldberg was forwarding to Mr. McIntee a watch which he had previously had repaired at a jewelry shop on Cottage Grove Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, but that the repair work was unsatisfactory and he was returning the watch by insured mail for Mr. McIntee to return to the jeweler's for further repair work. Mr. Goldberg advised that J. F. Goldberg was his brother and was also connected with the Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company. The letter displayed to Agent Suran further indicated that Mr. Goldberg would furnish to Mr. McIntee in a couple of weeks a Florida address to which the watch could be returned to him.

From observation of these gentlemen it was noticed that they are apparently men who would have a reputable standing in a community. They were frank in their discussions, and it is believed that the package referred to by the Little Rock Office is no doubt the watch which was forwarded to Mr. McIntee.

Miss G. Herskzinska is an employee in the office of the Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company and recalls signing for the package in question. Mr. McIntee volunteered the information that two or three months ago he received a notice addressed to him at 5542 Ellis Avenue, from the Post Office Department, advising that there was a package at the post office for him, this package being from Canada. He stated that the Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company has a plant in the Dominion of Canada, but he could not understand why a business package would be forwarded to his home address when the usual procedure is to forward them to 1918 Prairie Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and in view of his curiosity in this matter he requested one of the employees of the Hump Hairpin Manufacturing Company to communicate with the Post Office Department and received the information that there was a package there for him. He stated that he requested the post office employee to open this package, and it was learned that it was a small package of sweepstakes tickets for the Irish Sweepstakes, which had been forwarded to him with the request that he sell the same. Mr. McIntee stated that he never picked this package up at the post office.

Special Agent L. W. Arms on March 31, 1936, immediately upon receipt of the information from the Little Rock Office,

conducted investigation at the Chicago Police Department, making the appropriate inquiries at the Bureau of Records, Vagrancy Records, and the Bureau of Identification Records, and failed to find a record there of Dave McIntee, Dave McIntte or Connie Morris alias Connie Hamm.

The above information was telephonically communicated to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at the Little Rock Office on April 1, 1936, by Special Agent R. C. Suran; and Mr. Connelley advised that from the information furnished to him apparently Mr. McIntee was not involved in the present investigation and that possibly further investigation might be conducted at Hot Springs, Arkansas, to determine how the insured parcel receipt No. 14985 appeared among the effects of Connie Morris, alias Connie Hamm.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati

S. A. FILE NO. 7-41

REPORT MADE AT San Antonio, Tex.	DATE WHEN MADE March 31 '36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/18, 19, 20/21, 28 & 30/36	REPORT MADE BY J. C. White
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1236; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Agent in company with Agent D. R. Morley and City Detectives A. C. Martindale and Tom Eubanks and Informant Lester Miller, attended the races at Epsom Downs, Houston, Texas, daily from March 19 to 21, 1936, inclusive, endeavoring to locate and effect apprehension of subject Karpis. Also checked parking lots in the vicinity of Rice Hotel, Houston, to locate V-8 Ford Karpis reported to be riding in. Check also made at Dodds Field, an auxiliary Army flying field, San Antonio, and ascertained that Fred Hunter and a woman landed there in a Ryan four passenger cabin plane NC-6585, on November 12, 1935, staying here four days with sister who resided 320 San Pedro Ave., San Antonio. Hunter and woman both returned Hot Springs, Arka. W. W. Haynes, Post Office Inspector, assisted by City Detectives Herbst and Jackson made investigation as to this matter. Winburn Field officials state Post Office Inspector Haynes gave them another number of a Stinson cabin plane, NC-12180, to be on the lookout for and notified them to advise the Detective Bureau in San Antonio if plane was located. P.</p> <p>Reference: Letter from the San Antonio office to the Chicago office dated March 14, 1936, with memorandum attached of Agent T. H. Sisk, dated March 14, 1936, and teletype from Chicago office dated March 16, 1936, and copy of letter from Little Rock office to SAC E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Ill., dated March 23, 1936.</p>			
DETAILS: Agent in company with Agent D. R. Morley and City Detectives A. C. Martindale and Tom Eubanks accompanied by Informant T. Lester Miller went to Epsom			
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Downs Race Track near Houston, Texas, arriving there prior to the opening of the races and crowds in order that we could station Informant Miller near the entrance so he could observe all persons entering through the gates and pre-arranged signals were made with Informant Miller so that should Miller see Karpis that he would be apprehended without injury to any person in the crowd. Agent accompanied by these officers and Informant Miller attended the races from March 19 to 21, 1936, inclusive, and Informant Miller did not see anyone who looked like subject Karpis. During the time that the races were going on Agent stationed Informant Miller between the grandstand and the paddock so he could observe all persons going to and from the grandstand to the paddock.

Agent previously checked up on Informant T. Lester Miller and found that he was employed as second cook part of the time in the cafe of the Harvey System at the Missouri Pacific Depot at Houston, Texas, and was also employed by the Gingham Sandwich Shop, 1301 Main St., Houston, Texas, as a relief cook when the regular cook was off.

Agent interviewed H. L. Draper, Manager of the Harvey Cafe, Missouri Pacific Depot, Houston. He stated that he had employed Informant Miller regularly from January 15, 1936, to March 9, 1936, as an Assistant Cook and that usually on Saturdays and Sundays he would employ him extra; that Miller was contemplating on securing a position as cook for the Hotel Dean Coffee Shop in Athens, Texas. Mr. Draper stated that Miller displayed to him a recommendation from the Superintendent of the Commissary Department of the B & O Railroad; that Miller was not very talkative and was not imaginary and did not relate his acquaintances among gangsters in Chicago, Ill.

Agent interviewed Mr. G. M. Burge who operates a parking lot at 415 San Jacinto Street, Houston, Texas, and who was the first one to report that Informant Miller had seen Karpis at the Rice Hotel, Houston, to Chief of Police B. W. Payne of Houston. Mr. Burge stated that he had known Informant Miller for many years and that he was sober and bore an excellent reputation; that Miller was not visionary or given to bragging about his various acquaintances of Chicago's gangland. Burge believes that Informant Miller was sincere in stating that he had seen subject Karpis at the Rice Hotel, but from Miller's conversation he probably was mistaken in his identification.

Agent and Agents T. H. Sisk and D. R. Morley checked the parking lots in the vicinity of the Rice Hotel, Houston, for a 1935 Ford V-8 Sedan bearing a California license, but were unable to ascertain that such a car had been parked on any of these lots. Also these Agents accompanied by Informant Miller made the rounds of the gambling establishments and were unable to see or ascertain that Karpis had been at any of these places.

Informant T. Lester Miller advised Agent that he was born in the State of Illinois and that he had lived in the State of Texas several years; that his father had built and operated the Lenox Hotel at 67th and Dorchester Streets, Chicago, Ill.; that he had an older brother, now deceased, who managed and operated Lake Minor a fishing resort near Houston, Texas, for an oil company. Informant

Miller further stated that he was offered and that he expected to take a job with the Dean Hotel Coffee Shop at Athens, Texas, on April 1, 1936; that he was not regularly employed at the present time in Houston, but he had been working at both the Harvey Cafe in the Missouri Pacific Depot and the Gingham Sandwich Shop on Main Street, Houston. Informant Miller stated that he was at present living with his wife at 702 Crawford Street, telephone Fairfax 5640, Houston, Texas, and would reside there until he accepted the position at Athens, Texas. Arrangements were made with Informant Miller that should he secure any information whatever with reference to subject Karpis that he would immediately get in touch with the Agents at Houston, Texas. He was given the telephone number of the Resident Agent's office in Houston and also the residence telephone number of Resident Agent Sisk and Informant Miller assured Agent that he would immediately get in touch with an Agent of this Bureau should he secure any information whatever on Karpis or any of the gang.

With reference to reference letter to SAC Connelley from the Little Rock Office dated March 23, 1936, Agent proceeded to Dodds Field, an auxiliary flying field of the U. S. Army near San Antonio, Texas, and there interviewed Mr. C. H. Condrey, U. S. Army Airway Mechanic's Mate and Pilot and he advised that V. C. Tully was at the flying field on November 12, 1935, when a civilian plane landed there at 1:45 P.M.

Agent interviewed V. C. Tully who stated that a J-5 Ryan four passenger cabin plane #NC-6585 landed there; that this ship was piloted by J. S. Stover from Hot Springs, Ark.; that he was accompanied by two passengers, a man and a woman who caught a Black and White Taxicab and went to San Antonio; that about 2:10 P.M. this plane took off, Stover stating that he was going to return to Hot Springs, Ark. Mr. Tully further stated that about March 24, 1936, two City Detectives, Herbst and Jackson, accompanied by a Post Office Inspector, whose name he was unable to recall, made an investigation as to the landing of this plane; that the Post Office Inspector showed him, Tully, a photograph of an individual who he said was Fred Hunter and that he identified the photograph as being the man who came in on the plane. Mr. Tully stated that Pilot Stover told him the reason he landed on the Army flying field was that his chart did not show Winburn Field, the municipal Airport. Mr. Tully stated that he looked at Pilot Stover's chart and it did disclose the location of Winburn Field. Mr. Tully further stated that the Post Office Inspector gave him a number of a plane NC-12180 which was a four passenger cabin Stinson plane which this Post Office Inspector stated belonged to the Karpis gang and that it was purchased by a lawyer of this gang for Karpis and that the Post Office Inspector wanted the Personnel at Dodds Field to be on the lookout for this plane and report any information they received on it to City Detectives Herbst and Jackson. Mr. Tully stated that Dodds Field was in charge of Lt. Commander N. M. Nelson who was not present at the time of Agent's visit. This Field was used by the U. S. Coast Guard and by student fliers from Randolph and Brooks Fields for a place to land on in their trial flights; that no civilian planes are supposed to land at this field.

Agent gave C. H. Condrey and V. C. Tully the telephone number of

the San Antonio Bureau office and the residence telephone number of SAC Gus T. Jones in order that if they received any information on either of these planes or their occupants that they could communicate with this office or SAC Jones immediately.

Agent interviewed City Detectives A. W. Herbst and L. W. Jackson, Detective Headquarters, San Antonio Police Department, San Antonio. These officers stated that on March 24, 1936, that Post Office Inspector T. H. Dawkins accompanied by Post Office Inspector W. W. Haynes of Tulsa, Oklahoma, came to the Detective Headquarters and Dawkins requested that these officers assist Inspector Haynes in making an investigation; that they went to Dodds Field near San Antonio and there ascertained that on November 12, 1935, that an airplane landed there on that date and that two passengers, a man and a woman, alighted and were taken by a Black & White Taxicab to 320 San Pedro Ave., San Antonio; that an investigation at that address developed that the parties living there were a Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick - Mr. Kirkpatrick now being a chauffeur for the Silver Blue Taxicab Company; that the woman accompanying this man, who turned out to be Fred Hunter, was a sister of Mrs. Kirkpatrick; that Mrs. Kirkpatrick advised them that her sister, a Mrs. Robinson, came to San Antonio, Texas, on November 12, 1935, accompanied by one Fred Hunter and stayed four or five days and then both returned to Hot Springs, Ark.; that two days before the interview with Mrs. Kirkpatrick she had received a letter from her sister, Mrs. Robinson, in Hot Springs, Ark., stating that she was going to visit her mother either in Davis or Davidson, Oklahoma; that Mrs. Kirkpatrick wrote her sister immediately and told her that if she was going to visit their Mother to come by San Antonio and that she would accompany her; that in this letter Mrs. Robinson advised Mrs. Kirkpatrick that she was now living at 321 1/2 Central Ave., Hot Springs, Ark.; that Post Office Inspector Haynes advised them, Herbst and Jackson, that this address was located in the sporting district of Hot Springs, Ark. City Detective Jackson advised that he knew Kirkpatrick and his wife and that they both assured Detective Jackson that if they received any information whatsoever as to Hunter or any of his associates that they would immediately communicate the facts to Detective Jackson.

Arrangements were made with City Detectives Jackson and Herbst that should they get any information whatever in this matter that they would immediately contact this office. It is deemed inadvisable at this time, due to the above arrangements, to contact Mrs. Kirkpatrick.

Post Office Inspector W. W. Haynes did not contact anyone in this Bureau office relative to his investigation down here of Fred Hunter, Karpis or any member of the gang, and therefore, it is believed advisable for the Oklahoma City office to contact him relative to what information he has secured on Karpis or any other member of the gang.

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Oklahoma City Office: Contact Post Office Inspector W. W. Haynes

who is stationed at Tulsa, Oklahoma, relative to what information he may have on Karpis or any member of his gang and as to the ownership of the two planes mentioned in this report.

Little Rock Office: Will locate and contact Mrs. Robinson at 321 $\frac{1}{2}$ Central Ave., Hot Springs, Ark. and secure what information she has relative to Fred Hunter, his associates, Alvin Karpis, or any of the gang.

Pending.

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI**

FILE NO. **7-30**

REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minn.	DATE WHEN MADE: 4/1/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 7/31/36	REPORT MADE BY: JOHN E BRENNAN
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; ET AL. -- EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING - HARBORING OF FUGITIVES - OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE - NATIONAL FIREARMS A
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Review made of various logs submitted on telephone tap maintained on telephone of JOHN B. DAVENPORT, 4109 Columbus Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, in an endeavor to reconcile various numbers recorded through repetition, and to record the identities of such parties known to have been in telephonic communication with DAVENPORT, his wife Blanche, brother-in-law Arthur Christopherson, his wife Berdella, or Davenport's small adopted son Jackie, all of whom reside at this address. P.			
REFERENCE: Letter from the Chicago Office dated March 30, 1936.			
DETAILS: The following is a review of the logs maintained on the telephone tap of the telephone of JOHN B. DAVENPORT, 4109 Columbus Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, beginning with February 25, 1936, which review is made in order to set forth the identities of the persons who have been in telephonic communication with the occupants at this address. In many instances the identity of the person called could not be established at the time the log was made for the reason that the recording machine did not function properly, but through repetition of the number where the exchange was not recorded or through use of the name occurring in the conversation, the identity of the person who called was subsequently ascertained.			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>E. W. H. [Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7-576-10343 RECORDED AND INDEXED APR 6 1936 CHECKED OFF: APR 15 1936 JACKETED:	
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The telephone Locust 9948 is located at 4109 Columbus Avenue South, Minneapolis, the residence of JOHN B. DAVENPORT, and the following persons reside at this address: JOHN B. DAVENPORT, his wife BLANCHE DAVENPORT, his brother-in-law ARTHUR CHRISTOPHERSON, his sister-in-law BERDELLA CHRISTOPHERSON, and adopted son Jackie. DAVENPORT operates the Third Street Buffet, 301 Hennepin Avenue, telephone Main 9458, in partnership with ERNEST R. (PAULINE) PARKER, who resides at 1776 Scheffer, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Referring to log of February 25th:

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Contrary to the suggestion contained in reference letter in referring to the recording of given names only, the identities of the persons are in most cases unknown to the Agents covering this assignment. Special Agents P. C. Dunne and C. W. Dunker advised that usually only the given names are mentioned in the conversations and they attempt to identify the number recorded through repetition, as the dial recorder does not always function satisfactorily.

A list of the persons known to be in frequent conversation with the occupants of the DAVENPORT home is being maintained by Special Agents Dunne and Dunker and the full name of the subscriber when known to them, will be recorded in the log though the full name may not be mentioned in the conversation.

It might be stated that the Tri-State Telephone Company, St. Paul, has refused to furnish the names and addresses of subscribers of their telephones, citing the Federal Communications Act as the basis for this refusal, but which is probably based upon the publicity given to telephone taps maintained in the St. Paul Police Department, and such information as has been obtained was procured by Special Agent S. W. Hardy through his friendship with employees of this company.

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April 2, 1936.

Mr. James Wright,
Deputy Sheriff,
Hopson, Tennessee.

Dear Sir:

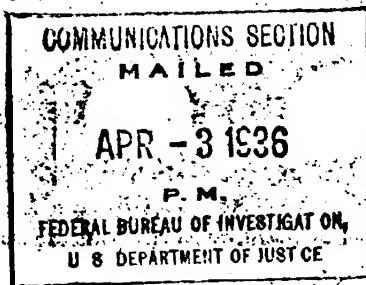
I have your communication of March 30, 1936, which contains information concerning the identity of a person who is possibly identical with Alvin Karpis, and who you state is presently incarcerated at Hopson, Tennessee.

Please be advised that I have transmitted the contents of your communication to the Special Agent in Charge of this Bureau's office at Nashville, Tennessee, for his attention.

I appreciate the interest which you have shown in forwarding this information to me.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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April 3, 1936.

Dr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 418,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. 11215, et al.;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Please refer to Bureau letter dated March 29, 1936, and advise
me whether Special Agent D. P. Sullivan has not proceeded to Milan,
Michigan, for the purpose of interviewing Dolores Delaney and Winona
Turnett along the line suggested in the Bureau letter of reference.

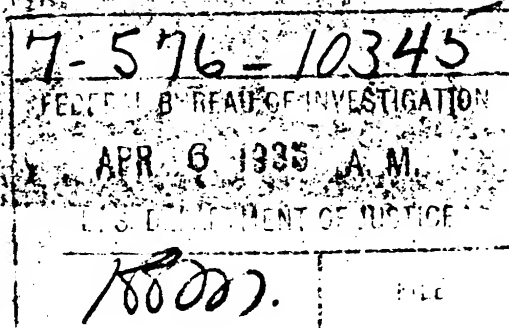
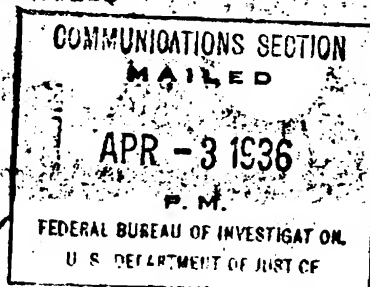
I should also like to be advised of the result of the search
of the leading Chicago newspapers for articles bearing upon members of
the Karpis-Barker gang from September 1, 1934, to January 15, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

April 3, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID.
(Bureau File #7-576)

Dear Sir:

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Alvin Karpis

[redacted] who has been employed as a confidential informant by the Chicago Bureau Office in connection with the investigation of the instant case and other cases pending in the Chicago Bureau Office, has numerous contacts in the small outlying towns in the vicinity of Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] has been without means of transportation to visit these various contacts since September, 1935, and it has been necessary to rent cars for [redacted] when it was desired that he visit these localities, principally Bensenville, Waukegan, North Riverside, and Elmhurst, Illinois, which requires an expenditure of approximately \$10.00 for car rental each time that [redacted] visits these places. [redacted] also has many underworld contacts in the city of Chicago, which, of course, he has been contacting without the use of an automobile. However, it is believed that his most valuable contacts are in those places previously named.

It has been determined that [redacted] could purchase a second hand car for the sum of about \$150.00, which he could use for making various trips outside of Chicago, Illinois, through which trips, it is believed, [redacted] will be able to obtain valuable information of interest to the Bureau.

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In order to utilize the services of [redacted] to the fullest extent, it is requested that this office be authorized to furnish [redacted] with sufficient funds to buy a used car. Of course, the car will be registered in [redacted] name, and there will be no indication on the records or otherwise that the Bureau furnished the funds with which to buy this car.

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D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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April 17, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sirs:

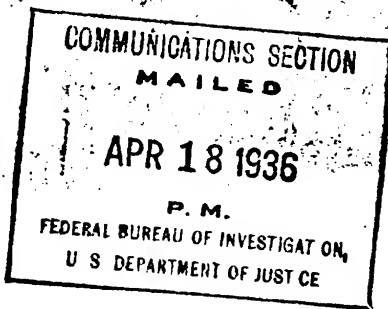
With reference to your request concerning [redacted] who has been employed as a confidential informant by the Chicago Bureau Office in connection with the investigation of instant case and other cases pending in the Chicago Bureau Office, it is not deemed desirable that he be furnished with the sum of \$150.00 which is necessary for the purchase of an automobile for his use, as was requested in your letter of April 3, 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc Cincinnati
Cleveland

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Boardman
Chief Clerk
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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1218, ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
VICTIM - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting to you herewith positive photostatic copies of a photostat of a certificate of title application, a combination application for duplicate and transfer of title, and a certificate of passenger car registration, for 1934, issued by the State of Ohio, which papers have reference to the registration in the States of Ohio and Florida of a 1934 Ford V-8 Coupe, motor #18-1037480. The Bureau is comparing the handwriting of Chas. M. Bronson and Duke Randall with other pertinent handwriting specimens in the possession of the Technical Laboratory in an effort to determine the identity of a party who transcribed the signature of Chas. M. Bronson on the transfer of ownership of this car, to Duke Randall. Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, has requested that every effort be made to ascertain the identity of the party who inserted the name of Chas. M. Bronson on the transfer of ownership. It is suggested, therefore, that you immediately interview Duke Randall in an effort to identify the party who signed the name of Chas. M. Bronson in transferring this car to Duke Randall.

You will note that on the certificate of title application, the name of Duke Randall, which was written in typewriting, has been crossed out, and the name of Chas. M. Bronson has been inserted in pen and ink in two different places. Efforts should be made to learn the identity of the person making these insertions. You will also note that both the certificate of title application and the combination application for duplicate and transfer of title certificate were notarized by Irma Robbins. It is suggested that you immediately present to her the photographs of Duke Randall, Alvin Karpis, and other members of the Karpis-Barker gang, to determine the identity of the party signing the name of Chas. M. Bronson. It is possible that she may have inserted the name Chas. M. Bronson where the name of Duke Randall is crossed out.

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In the event that the above requested inquiries are unsuccessful, you should make efforts to locate Gregory I. Codomo who may be able to advise the identity of the party signing the name of Chas. M. Bronson.

In the event that you are able to locate and interview Duke Randall satisfactorily along the lines suggested hereinbefore, it is desired that you obtain from him the complete details surrounding the transfer of ownership of this car from Chas. M. Bronson to himself.

This matter should be handled expeditiously and the Bureau advised of the result of your inquiries immediately.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

CC-E. J. Connelley, Chicago
Cincinnati
Cleveland
St. Paul

Air Mail
Special Delivery.

Enclosure No. 870919

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

April 2, 1936

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are the fingerprints of Clyde Rochat and
Mrs. Amanda Rochat, who were detained at this office on this
date.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MacFarland
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Re: BREXID

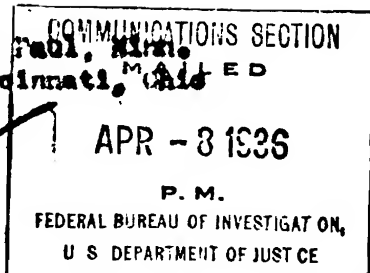
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Dear Sir:

Referring to fingerprints forwarded by you, please be advised that an examination of the fingerprint records of the Division of Investigation fails to disclose any data concerning the following:

---, Clyde Kochat
---, Mrs. Amanda Kochat

Copy to:
Bu. Off., St. Paul, Minn.
Bu. Off., Cincinnati, Ohio
(CC-Bureau)



Very truly yours,

Director.

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Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
April 2, 1936

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Mr. E. J. Connelley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

BREKID

I am enclosing copies of log of J. B. Davenport's telephone for March 30 and 31, 1936.

There is no such number as Regent 2856, recorded on March 30th. Locust 8088 is listed to Earl C. Maul (Corrine H.), 326 Elwood Place. Maul is Treasurer and General Manager of the Credit Publishing Company, and apparently this number was incorrectly recorded. There is a Gotfrid Hanson, a gardener, at 3617 Oakland, Locust 9098, and it was probably this number that was called to have Mrs. Hanson fix some shirts.

Mrs. Sue Smith, 3609 Clinton, has telephone Locust 4986. It has been established that the Ed referred to as being in Florida is Edward J. Curran, of 3609 Clinton, a well known gambler, former bootlegger, and associate of Benny Harris, Jack Davenport, et al. The Jacksonville Office has heretofore been furnished with the address of one Ed, 432 Northwest 12th Avenue, Miami. This is the same Ed as Ed Curran referred to.

Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
April 2, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

BREKID

The Bureau has requested that certain exhibits, which were introduced in evidence in the Bremer case in Saint Paul, be forwarded to the Bureau for use in preparing a summary report for use in the trial of JOE ADAMS, et al, in Florida.

As the three defendants have filed notice of appeal, these exhibits cannot be withdrawn without an order from the court based upon stipulation of counsel. The attorneys for Harry Sawyer and William Weaver have signed a stipulation wherein it is agreed that the exhibits in question may be withdrawn and photostatic copies thereof be substituted.

The United States Attorney at Saint Paul has forwarded a copy of the stipulation to Mr. Everett Jennings, attorney of Chicago, representing Cassius McDonald, for his signature, but no reply has been received though there has been ample time for Mr. Jennings to communicate with the United States Attorney here if he does not agree.

Will you kindly have Mr. Jennings interviewed to see if this matter cannot be expedited?

Very truly yours,

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

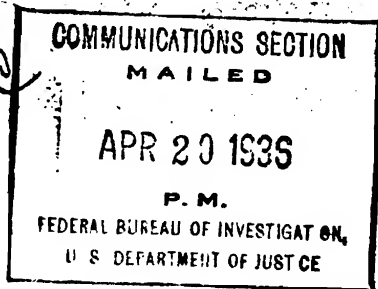
Reference is made to the letter from the St. Paul Office dated April 2, 1936, addressed to the Chicago Office of this Bureau, wherein it is noted that Harry Sawyer, William Weaver and Cassius McDonald have filed notice of appeal from their conviction.

It is requested that you advise the Bureau the date on which the appeal of these individuals was filed in the United States Court at the earliest practicable date.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc Cincinnati
Jacksonville
Mr. Connelley, Chicago



E. J. Connelley
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POST OFFICE BOX 612
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

April 2, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to your letter dated March 27, 1936 which states that Mr. Beazell, managing director, Saratoga Springs authority, State of New York, stated that as a result of a survey made of mineral springs, sulphur springs and other such springs throughout the United States, he has a list of such springs that are visited by persons suffering from gonorrheal rheumatism.

It is suggested that a list of such springs be obtained from Mr. Beazell and that you set out appropriate leads to the respective field offices in whose districts such springs are located, for proper investigation in an effort to locate Harry Campbell and/or Alvin Karpis, in case Campbell or Karpis appear at such health resorts for treatment.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,

Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **7-82**

REPORT MADE AT Chicago, Illinois	DATE WHEN MADE 4/3/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/26, 27, 28, 31/36	REPORT MADE BY D. P. SULLIVAN DPS:FVV
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Information obtained from Chicago Daily News, Chicago Tribune, Chicago American and Chicago Herald & Examiner newspapers concerning articles bearing on Barker-Karpis gang between September 1, 1934 and January 15, 1934, set out herein.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P</p> <p>REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated March 24, 1936.</p> <p>DETAILS: In connection with the request contained in reference letter that the files containing old copies of the four leading newspapers of Chicago be checked from September 1, 1934 to January 15, 1935 for the purpose of ascertaining whether any articles appeared in those papers during this period concerning members of the Barker-Karpis gang, the following investigation was conducted.</p> <p>It was ascertained that the Chicago Tribune, the Chicago Herald and Examiner, the Chicago American and the Chicago Daily News, the four leading newspapers in Chicago, put out each day approximately ten editions of their newspapers. A complete day by day search of all these newspapers and editions would take approximately the entire time of one Agent for two weeks. It was noted that the "morgue" and the old files maintained by the newspaper offices contained all of the clippings regarding individuals of some prominence. A search was made of the "morgue" in the four above mentioned newspapers, both under the name of Edward G. Bremer and under the individual names of all the members of the Barker-Karpis gang. In this connection it may be noted that in various</p>			
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editions of the same day's newspaper, stories will be altered in each edition and occasionally photographs will be inserted or deleted depending upon new developments occurring since the previous edition was issued. For this reason the clippings in the newspaper offices do not contain each and every article appearing in every edition of the newspaper but only a clipping from one edition for each day.

During the time that Special Agent John L. Madala and the writer interviewed Wynona Burdett and Dolores Delaney at St. Paul, Minnesota during the recent trial of William Weaver and other principals charged in this case, Wynona Burdett was questioned concerning the newspapers that were delivered to the room occupied by her and Harry Campbell in the El Comodoro Hotel, Miami, Florida during the fall of 1934. At that time the Burdett woman was unable to recall the names of the Chicago newspapers delivered to her but she stated that she had a faint recollection that one of the newspapers bore either a red or a blue streak along the outside border. This newspaper was probably an edition of the Chicago Daily News. She likewise stated that it is possible that the other newspaper that was occasionally delivered to the room by bellboys may have been a Chicago Tribune.

Definite information undoubtedly can be obtained from the bellboys who delivered the above newspapers to Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdett concerning the name of the Chicago newspaper ordinarily delivered.

At the Chicago Tribune, 435 North Michigan Avenue it was ascertained that only one edition of the Chicago Tribune is forwarded to Miami, Florida each day. This edition is called the one star final (home) edition and is forwarded to the Dade County News at Miami, Florida for distribution among the wholesale and retail dealers in that town. The Sunday edition forwarded to the Dade County News is the two star final (home) edition. An individual subscriber who has the newspaper delivered to their home, if residing in Miami, may obtain some other edition of the Tribune newspaper and likewise if a person residing in Miami has newspapers forwarded to them by some friend or acquaintance in Chicago, naturally they can obtain any edition available to the public in Chicago.

A search of the files in the clipping bureau of the Library of the Chicago Tribune resulted in obtaining the following information concerning articles appearing in the above newspaper between September 1, 1934 and January 15, 1935 concerning members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

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Sept. 9, 1934

Article about 4 inches long on one column with the heading "U. S. Near End of Hunt For Kidnapers of Bremer Kidnap Gang". This article is dated St. Paul, Minn. Sept. 8 and states that Federal Agents and police are nearing the end of their trail in the search for the gang chieftain who plotted the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer and William Hamm, Jr.. Mentions that higher-ups and a notorious St. Paul underworld character may be involved.

Sept. 12, 1934

Article about 2 inches long on one column under the heading "Vault is Raided in U.S. Hunt for Bremer Ransom". This article sets out that Deputy U. S. Marshal broke into a safety deposit box at the Woodlawn Safety Deposit Co., Chicago on the trail of \$200,000.00 of the Bremer ransom money.

Sept. 12, 1934

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Article about 3 inches long on one column under headline "Guard Bankers after Kidnap Plot Reports". This article, dated Topeka, Kansas Sept. 11, mentions that police were guarding the homes of two Topeka bankers following tip that Barker-Karpis gang may be planning kidnap raid and mentions that Alvin Karpis, former Topeka youth, and Arthur Barker, sought in several kidnaping cases, had eluded a police trap in Cleveland, Ohio.

The above article does not appear in the one star final (home) edition which is on file in the Library of the Chicago Tribune. It apparently appeared in an early edition of the above paper.

DATE

Sept. 22, 1934

An article about 3 inches long on one column headed "Four Bremer Ransom Bills Found in Bank" and is dated at Buffalo, N.Y. Sept. 21. Article mentions that four \$10.00 bills identified as Bremer ransom money were found in Buffalo, having been passed in Buffalo banks. Under a sub-heading "Seek Further Clues", which article is dated St. Paul, Minn. Sept. 21, mention is made that the Department of Justice at St. Paul knew of the bills being passed but had no knowledge as to who passed them.

Sept. 27, 1934

An article about 7 inches long on one column on Page 4 of the one star final (home) edition under the headline "Hunt Physician as New Suspect in Bremer Case" sets out a brief history of Dr. Joseph P. Moran wanted by the Department of Justice for questioning in the Bremer kidnaping.

Sept. 28, 1934

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An article about 4 inches long on one column dated Cleveland, Ohio Sept. 27 under the heading "Report U. S. Agents are Closing in on Bremer Kidnapers". Mention is made that Federal Agents are closing in on the abductors of Edward G. Bremer and that Fred and Arthur Barker and Alvin Karpis, sought for the above kidnaping, have been living in a house in Cleveland but had fled a short while before the house was raided.

The above article does not appear in the one star final (home) edition of the Chicago Tribune on file in the Library of the Chicago Tribune.

Oct. 13, 1934

A one column story about 16 inches long under the title "Pal of Dillinger Reported With Outlaw Floyd", is dated Kansas City, Mo. Oct. 12, and reports that former Kansas City detective encountered Floyd at Neosho, Missouri and stated that Floyd's companion bore striking resemblance to Alvin Karpis, who is mentioned as John Dillinger gangster and an accused kidnaper. The one star final (home) edition of the Chicago Tribune contains the above story but does not make mention of the name Alvin Karpis.

DATE

Nov. 3, 1934

A two column article about 3 inches long under the heading "J. J. McLaughlin Admits Part in Kidnaping Case". Mentions that John J. McLaughlin, Sr., indicted for kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, takes the full responsibility for handling part of the \$200,000.00 Bremer ransom money and exonerates his son John J. McLaughlin, Jr. Article mentions that the indictment against John J. McLaughlin, Jr. was dismissed and Federal authorities are mentioned as still seeking Arthur Barker and Alvin Karpis as the actual kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer.

Nov. 29, 1934

First page story under heavy full page headline "Find Baby Face Nelson Slain". Is a one column story full page length and is continued on second page and narrates the details of the finding of Nelson's body at Niles Center, Ill. On page 2 is contained a bust photograph of Alvin Karpis under the caption "With Nelson?". The statement underneath this photograph mentions that Alvin Karpis, St. Paul gangster, may have been companion of Nelson in the battle with Federal Agents at Barrington, Illinois.

Nov. 30, 1934

Front page, under heavy headline "U. S. Hunts Nelson's Widow", is a one column story relating that the Department of Justice is hunting for Helen Gillis believed to be a witness in the gunfight resulting in the death of Inspector Samuel P. Cowley and Special Agent Edward H. Hollis and mentions that either John Paul Chase, Hamilton or Alvin Karpis, who are reported to be involved in the Bremer kidnaping, was possibly the companion of Baby Face Nelson in the gun battle at Barrington, Illinois.

Dec. 11, 1934

A small article about 4 inches long on one column under the heading "Seek California Bootlegger as Baby Face's Aid". Relates that Department of Justice authorities at Washington admit that John Paul Chase is the man sought as the companion of Baby Face Nelson in the battle at Barrington, Illinois, thus eliminating Hamilton and Karpis as suspects.

DATE

Dec. 14, 1934

An article about 8 inches long on one column with the headline "U.S. Agent Tells of Escape From Dillinger Gang", is dated Lawrence, Kansas, Dec. 18, 1934 and sets out that 4 men in an automobile, which Officers believed was occupied by John Hamilton and Alvin Karpis, "gangsters" held up a filling station in that town.

Jan. 9, 1935

On the first page there is a story contained on one full page column under heavy headlines "U. S. Agents Slay Desperado". This story relates that Russell Gibson, who was wanted for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, and said to be a member of "the notorious Arthur (Doc) Barker-Alvin Karpis gang", was shot three times and killed in attempting to escape from trap set by Federal Agents. The story relates that Gibson was said to be the first of the actual kidnapers of Bremer to be accounted for and goes on to say "Barker and Karpis under indictment for the crime are still fugitives". On the back page of this same paper is contained a photograph of Gibson, mention being made that he is named as a Bremer kidnaping suspect.

Jan. 10, 1935

A story about 18 inches long on one column with the headline "Identify Gibson Pal as Suspect in '29 Massacre", mentions that Bryon Bolton, a companion of Gibson who was slain, was wanted by Police in the Saint Valentine day massacre in Chicago. The story sets out that Bolton joined the gang after the Bremer kidnaping; that Gibson had been indicted in St. Paul for handling Bremer ransom money under the name of Slim Gray. The story relates that Gibson slaying has "spurred the Government search for Arthur (Doc) Barker and Alvin Karpis ringleaders of the kidnaping gang now under indictment for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer". There is a full photograph of Bryon Bolton in connection with the story and on the back page there is a 4 column photograph of the arsenal found in the flat of the Karpis gang as Gibson was killed in resisting arrest.

DATE

Jan. 11, 1935

There is a story contained on one column about 12 inches long under the headline "Police Ask U. S. For Custody of Three Gibson Pals". This story relates testimony of Special Agent R.D. Brown and R.J. Abbaticchio in the coroner's inquest of Russell Gibson who is mentioned as a Bremer kidnap suspect. On the back page is contained photographs of Agents Abbaticchio and Brown under the heading "U.S. Agents at Gibson Inquest".

At the offices of the Chicago Daily News, 400 West Madison Street, Thomas Sayers, Librarian who is in charge of the "morgue" and the newspaper library was interviewed and permitted Agent to check through his files of newspapers. Information was obtained at this newspaper office that newspapers distributed to Miami, Florida are sent to the Dade County News Company at Miami, which in turn distributes papers to wholesale and retail dealers. The red-streak final [night extra] edition is sent to the Dade County News for persons who subscribe individually. The three star edition is sent each day. The old files which contain only one edition of each daily paper contain only the two star sport final and does not contain the red streak final edition which is forwarded to Miami, Florida for distribution. A search of the files from September, 1934 to January 15, 1935 resulted in discovery of the following articles contained in the Daily News bearing on the Barker-Karpis gang.

DATE

Sept. 11, 1934

Contains a photograph, under the heading "Kidnap Suspect", of Wynona Wolcott. Mentions Wynona Wolcott as having been questioned by Cleveland police regarding the presence of a kidnaping gang in the City of Cleveland. This photograph of Wynona Wolcott is a photograph of Wynona Burdett. This paper likewise contains a photograph of Paula Harmon under the name of Ethel Matterson. This photograph does not appear in the two star sports final edition which is on file in the Chicago Daily News office.

DATE

Sept. 12, 1934

A short news article about 3 inches long on one column under the headline "\$5,000.00 Is Found in Safety Box Barker Rented". Mentions the drilling of a safety deposit box at the Woodlawn Safety Deposit Co. by Deputy U. S. Marshals and mentions that \$5,000.00 was obtained from the box which money was left there by Arthur Barker indicted in the Bremer kidnaping case. This article is not contained in the two star sports final edition on file in the office of the Chicago Daily News.

Nov. 2, 1934

A one column short article about 3 inches long under the heading "McLaughlin, Sr. Takes Bremer Ransom Blame", is dated St. Paul, Minn. Nov. 2 and mentions that John J. McLaughlin, Sr. takes full responsibility for handling part of the \$200,000.00 Bremer ransom money and exonerates his son John J. McLaughlin, Jr.

Sept. 27, 1934

A one column article about 8 inches long under the heading "Surgeon Hunted as Handler of Bremer Ransom", mentions that Dr. Joseph P. Moran is wanted for questioning in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer and gives a short history of Dr. Moran.

Nov. 28, 1934

The red streak final (night extra) edition contains on the first page under large double headlines "Baby Face Nelson Shot by Federal Men; Find Body in Niles Center Ditch" and a sub-heading "Agent's Slayer Fatally Wounded in Same Fray", has a prominent part in this newspaper. The first page likewise contains a large photograph of Nelson taken at the morgue under the caption "The End". On the front page is contained two stories, each on a separate column, one concerning the testimony of Agents at the inquest and the other regarding the finding of Nelson's body. A bust photograph of Alvin Karpis "St. Paul hoodlum" mentioned as possibly having been the companion of Nelson in the gun battle at Barrington is likewise contained on this page. The stories are continued to page three and cover practically this entire page. Karpis is mentioned on both pages 1 and 3 as possibly having been Nelson's

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companion and is described as being sought in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer. A copy of this newspaper is on file in the Chicago Bureau office in the Dillinger file. This is probably the newspaper mentioned by Wynona Burdett when she states that she saw a photograph of Alvin Karpis as having been suspected of participating in the killing of Inspector Cowley and Agent Hollis.

A story is contained on the first page under a three column headline "Nelson's Burial Plans Made Months Ago Sister Reveals". This story sets out information concerning the inquest of Baby Face Nelson and mentions that "Alvin Karpis the St. Paul hoodlum sought in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer" is possibly the companion of Nelson in the killing of Inspector Cowley and Agent Hollis. This story is contained in the two star final sports edition on file in the Library of the Chicago Daily News and is likewise in the red streak final edition which is the edition forwarded to Miami, Florida for distribution.

Dec. 1, 1934

A clipping of a short article about 4 inches long under the heading "Karpis Slayer of Three U. S. Men", is postmarked Washington, D. C. Dec. 1 and names Alvin Karpis, new public enemy No. 1 as a suspect in the killing of Inspector Cowley and Agent Hollis and in the Kansas City massacre and names Karpis as the most important fugitive on the Government's wanted list. This article does not appear in the two star sports final on file in the Chicago Daily News library.

Dec. 14, 1934

A lengthy article contained on two full columns on page 3 of the two star sports final on file at the Chicago Daily News Library bears the following headline "U. S. 'Informer' Under Guard in Mystery". This story narrates of the alleged poisoning of Alfred Geonia by Alvin Karpis and John Hamilton. Geonia is named as Government informer. This article mentions that Alvin Karpis and Doc Barker are wanted in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer and likewise mentions that Dr. Joseph P. Moran is wanted for questioning in the same case. This article is contained in the two star sports final edition on file in the Library of the Chicago Daily News.

DATE

Dec. 15, 1934

On page 3 of the two star sports final is contained a small two column story about 4 inches long under the heading "Secret Office of Karpis Sought" and mentions that Geonia is searching for the secret office of Alvin Karpis as described by Alfred Geonia, Government informer and mentions that Dr. Joseph P. Moran and Alvin Karpis are sought for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer.

Dec. 17, 1934

The first page of the two star sports final on file in the Chicago Daily News Library contains a photograph of Joseph Burns, Dillinger gangster and a two column story under the headline "Solve \$427,000.00 Robbery". This story links Burns with the Touhy gang and mentions a possible connection of the Dillinger gang with the Brooklyn robbery. The story is continued on page four where mention is made that the police and the Department of Justice are looking for Hamilton, Alvin Karpis and Arthur (Doc) Barker and have information that the remnants of the Dillinger gang have allied with the Barker-Karpis gang. The Barker-Karpis gang is mentioned as having been responsible for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer and William Hamm, Jr. Karpis and Doc Barker are mentioned as members of the gang and Ma Barker is mentioned as the "brains of the gang".

Dec. 17, 1934

The turf edition contains the following story which is not contained in the two star sports final contained on file in the Chicago Daily News Library. A seven column story under the headline "Federal Agents Link Hamm and Bremer Kidnapings; Hunt Barker-Karpis Gang" is dated Washington, D.C. Dec. 17. This article sets out information that the Department of Justice has information indicating that Edward G. Bremer and William A. Hamm, Jr. were kidnaped by the same gang; that search for the Barker-Karpis gang was going on and both Barker and Karpis had been definitely identified by the Department of Justice as the abductors of Edward G. Bremer. Alvin Karpis is named as the brains of the gang consisting of Ma Barker and Arthur (Doc) Barker. This article likewise sets out a brief criminal history of Doc Barker and Alvin Karpis.

DATE

Jan. 9, 1935

The two star sports final edition on file at the Chicago Daily News Library contains on page 1 a lengthy two column article under heavy headline "Link Killing of Gibson to St. Valentine Day massacre". This story details the killing of Russell Gibson and capture of Byron Bolton who were mentioned as minor members of the Alvin Karpis-Doc Barker gang. The story is continued to page 3 where a photograph of Russell Gibson is set out, mention being made that he was a member of the Alvin Karpis gang of kidnapers.

Jan. 10, 1935

The two star sports final edition on file at the Chicago Daily News Library contains a two column story on page 8 under the headline "Slain Outlaw Identified as General Holdup Leader". This story sets out the testimony at the inquest of Russell Gibson, who is mentioned as a "Bremer Kidnaping Suspect". The story mentions that Russell Gibson was wanted for various jewel thefts in Chicago. On the rear page of this edition is contained a photograph of Clara Gibson which was taken at the coroner's inquest.

*Palmer Wright
Liberation.*

At the offices of the Chicago Herald and Examiner newspaper, 336 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, inquiry was made at the library. The files of this newspaper "morgue" were checked and the following information was contained therein concerning articles appearing in this newspaper from September 1, 1934 up to Jan. 13, 1935 regarding members of the Barker Karpis gang. In this connection it will be noted that information was obtained that the Dade County News Company, Miami, Florida is the wholesale distributor for the Chicago Herald and Examiner newspaper sold at Miami. All papers destined for sale at Miami are forwarded to this firm for distribution. The last metropolitan edition is the edition forwarded to the Dade County News. As in the case of other newspapers, different editions are forwarded to different subscribers than the edition forwarded for wholesale distribution. It is likewise possible for an individual at Miami to obtain any edition of a Chicago newspaper if arrangements are made to have it forwarded by a friend or acquaintance at Chicago.

Sept. 7, 1934

A short one inch article with small headline "Barker flees from Cleveland hideout" dated Cleveland, Ohio September 6th mentions that Detective Cody of Cleveland, Ohio stated he had information that Arthur R. Barker sought as one of the Bremer kidnapers had occupied a hideout at Cleveland and fled after three women companions were arrested.

Sept. 9, 1934

A short one inch article under small heading "U. S. seizes women in kidnap hideout" dated Cleveland, Ohio September 8th relates that the Department of Justice arrested three women abandoned by desperadoes wanted for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer.

Sept. 12, 1934

A short two inch article headed "Drill box for Bremer cash" relates that United States Deputy Marshals drilled a safety deposit box at the Woodlawn Safety Deposit Company looking for Bremer ransom money; that the box was rented under the name of Roy Gordon who is believed to be Alvin Karpis who is wanted for murder, bank robbery and jail break, and Arthur R. Barker, fugitive and Kansas ex-convict, both named by Federal Agents as leaders of the Bremer kidnapers.

Sept. 13, 1934

A short four inch article under small heading "Agents balked in Bremer case" discloses the finding of \$5006 in a safety deposit box at the Woodlawn Safety Deposit Company Chicago, the box being held by the mother of Arthur R. Barker, kidnaper; that the money was not Bremer ransom money; that Mrs. Barker had fled with her son and Alvin Karpis who is named as a confederate.

Sept. 27, 1934

A short three inch article headed "Vanished doctor wanted in Bremer kidnap quiz" mentions that Doctor Joseph P. Moran, former convict, is wanted for questioning in the Bremer kidnaping, but has disappeared; that Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker were named by Cummings as leaders of the Bremer kidnapers. This article mentions the possibility that Moran has altered the features of this gang.

Nov. 2, 1934

A short two inch article dated St. Paul, Minnesota November 11, 1934 under the heading "Two released in Bremer

kidnaping" mentions that William E. Vidler and Philip J. Delaney charged with handling part of the Bremer ransom money with John J. McLaughlin, were released on their own recognizance.

Nov. 3, 1934

A short three inch article headed "Father clears McLaughlin Junior" mentions that John J. McLaughlin, Sr. admits responsibility for handling part of the Bremer ransom money and thus absolves his son John J. McLaughlin, Jr. of any responsibility.

Nov. 29, 1934

A short article about three inches long is headed "Hamilton new enemy number one", and states that John Hamilton is named public enemy number one, although he has been reported dead on several occasions. Mention is made that Arthur "Doc" Barker and Alvin Karpis, sought for nearly a year for the Bremer kidnaping were named public enemies number two and three.

Dec. 6, 1934

An article appearing in two columns about eight inches long is headed "Mother's Plea". Beside this article is a photograph of Alvin Karpis taken when he was about thirteen years of age. A sub-head appears which reads "Alvin Karpis nation's public enemy number one". This article mentions the death of Baby Face Nelson, and Karpis is named as having possibly been a confederate. The article quotes an open letter addressed to "My dearest son" signed "your mother", and asks Karpis that he surrender to save himself being shot by Government men.

Dec. 7, 1934

A short article about six inches long in one column bearing a two column heading "Woman's word in Karpis fate" mentions that Mrs. Gillis has been taken into the county jail at Madison, Wisconsin and her only hope for release is to lead the Government to Alvin Karpis and John Hamilton, sole Dillinger survivors.

Dec. 14, 1934

On page 1 a ten inch one column article, headed "Alvin Karpis' former pal in cell, stricken" mentions that Jack Genoa, former convict and Government informer stated he was poisoned by Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1, as he sought to lead Karpis and John Hamilton into a Federal trap. The article mentions that Karpis is wanted for the \$200,000 kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer; for harboring Dillinger in St. Paul, and possibly in connection with the killing of 2 Federal Agents in company with Baby

Face Nelson. Doctor Joseph P. Moran, ex-convict is mentioned as being wanted in the Bremer kidnaping, and Cl Barker, brother of Arthur Barker is also mentioned as a fugitive in the Bremer kidnaping case.

Dec. 15, 1934

An article about seven inches long under the heading "Hunt Karpis and Hamilton near Joliet" mentions that Jack Geonia, ex-convict and self-styled informant, collapsed at a roadhouse near Joliet after he stated that Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1, Hamilton, and two others, had poisoned him.

Dec. 16, 1934

A four inch article under the heading "Geonia to help hunt Karpis gang hideout" relates that Geonia is helping county officers to locate the secret "office" of Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1 and suspect in the \$200,000 Bremer kidnaping.

Dec. 17, 1934

A short three inch article headed "Hamilton in Kansas hunt" mentions that Karpis, a Bremer kidnaping suspect and John Hamilton, Dillinger gangsters, were possibly responsible for three abductions in Kansas.

Jan. 9, 1935

An article about twelve inches long is headed "Shot in battle at apartment, seized three others", describes the killing of Russell Gibson who is named as having been sought in the Bremer kidnaping case. Gibson is described as the right hand man of Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1. Mention is made that Gibson with other members of the Karpis gang, had been sought in the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer.

Jan. 9, 1935

A large bust photograph of Russell Gibson appears under the title "Karpis pal slain". It mentions that Gibson was slain by Federal agents while being hunted as a suspect in the Bremer kidnaping.

Jan. 10, 1935

A twelve inch article is headed "Signal gang firing squad, assert Police"; sets out the capture of "Byron Bolton" suspect in the St. Valentine day massacre. Mention is made that Russell Gibson of the Alvin Karpis and Doc Barker gang was killed when Bolton was captured; that the Government is continuing its search for Karpis and Barker in Chicago. This paper likewise has a three

column photograph of the "arsenal" found in the flat occupied by Gibson and Bolton. Gibson is named as a lieutenant of Alvin Karpis.

Jan. 11, 1935

This issue contains photographs of Special Agents R.D. Brown and R. J. Abbaticchio, taken at the inquest into the death of Russell Gibson. A story in connection therewith mentions that the Police are seeking the solution of the St. Valentine Day massacre after the arrest of Bolton. Gibson is named as having been a member of the Karpis kidnaping gang.

Jan. 11, 1935

An article about six inches long contained on two columns with the heading "New hope for solution of Valentine Day massacre" sets out a photograph of Mrs. Clara Gibson, widow of Russell Gibson. This story details the capture of Bolton and mentions that Gibson was a member of the Karpis kidnaping gang.

Jan. 12, 1935

A short one inch article is headed "Sullivan eager to quiz fingerman" mentions that Chief of Detectives Sullivan is eagerly awaiting a chance to question Byron Bolton, captured when Russell Gibson of the Karpis kidnaping gang was killed.

File copies of old editions of newspapers issued by the Chicago Herald and Examiner are in the custody of Palmer Wright, librarian, who would be the proper person to subpoena.

At the offices of the Chicago Evening American at 336 West Madison Street, in the same building occupied by the Chicago Herald and Examiner, where Palmer Wright is the librarian for both the Chicago Evening American and the Chicago Herald and Examiner, information was obtained that copies of the Chicago Evening American are forwarded to the Dade County News, Miami, Florida for distributing to wholesale and retail dealers. The A Star final edition is forwarded to the above mentioned company. Individual subscribers and persons having the paper sent by friends or acquaintances from Chicago however, may obtain any edition of this newspaper they desire. The newspaper "morgue" contains the following clippings bearing on the Barker Karpis gang, which articles appeared in the Chicago Evening American between September 1, 1934 and January 15, 1935:

Sept. 4, 1934

A short three inch article is headed "Robber is sent back to Joliet" and mentions that Oliver A. Berg who was sought by State and Federal officials has been sent back to Joliet to serve a life term.

Sept. 7, 1934

A short article headed "Girls' capture tips kidnapers" dated Cleveland, Ohio mentions the accidental arrest of Mrs. Ethel Matterson, Mrs. Wynona Wolcott and Mrs. Gladys Sawyer, and states that Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis and Arthur Barker, sought for two St. Paul kidnappings, were identified by photographs as occupants of the house where the women resided.

Sept. 21, 1934

A short two inch article is headed "Bremer kidnap cash passed" and is dated Buffalo, New York September 21st. This article sets out that four \$10 bills identified as Bremer kidnaping ransom were found in Buffalo and turned over to the Department of Justice.

Nov. 30, 1934

On the first page a heavy headline mentions "Hunt Karpis as Nelson aid in battle". The article is continued to page 2 and covers four columns. It shows a photograph of Inspector H. H. Clegg who is mentioned as a Department of Justice Agent sent to Chicago to extirpate remainders of the Dillinger gang. This article states that Alvin Karpis was identified as Nelson's companion in the killing of Inspector Cowley and Agent Hollis; that Karpis is sought for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, and is public enemy No. 1. Small photographs of Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis appear in connection with this article. It also mentions the efforts being made to locate Nelson's companion. There likewise appears in this edition a long two column story on the death of Baby Face Nelson and the finding of the body.

Dec. 1, 1934

On page 4 appears a four inch article headed "Karpis slayer of three U.S. men", and mentions that Karpis, new public enemy No. 1, is being hunted for the murder of Inspector Cowley and Agent Hollis and is mentioned as a suspect in the Kansas City massacre.

Dec. 5, 1934

On Page 2 a four inch article in two columns is headed "Karpis believed to be Nelson's companion in battle". Karpis is mentioned as an alleged kidnaper, and named as a possible companion of Baby Face Nelson in the Barrington battle.

Dec. 5, 1934

On page 1 under a heavy headline "Wife's story of Nelson's end", an article sets out the story of the death of Baby Face Nelson as told by Helen Gillis to her sister Mrs. Fitzsimmons, and is continued to page 2. Mention is made that John Hamilton and Alvin Karpis mentions of the Dillinger gang, may possibly have been the companions of Baby Face Nelson. On page 2 appears a ten inch article under the heading "Walker, Purvis, clash bared by probe", and sets out that a "leak" developed in connection with the issuing of a search warrant by Commissioner Walker to search a box in the Woodlawn Safety Deposit Company which was opened in an effort to locate Bremer money. Mention is made that the box was in the name of Mrs. Katherine Barker, mother of Arthur Barker sought as the leader in the kidnaping.

Dec. 9, 1934

A short four inch article is headed "Give up, plea of Mrs. Karpis" and mentions that Mrs. Karpavicz issues a piteous plea to her son Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1 to surrender rather than be shot by Government Agents. This plea is contained in an open letter addressed to "My dearest son" and signed "your mother". A photograph of Alvin Karpis taken at about thirteen years of age appears beside this article. Karpis is mentioned as the sole survivor of the Dillinger gang and suspected as having been Baby Face Nelson's companion in a battle resulting in the death of Inspector Cowley and Agent Hollis.

Dec. 13, 1934

An eight inch article is headed "Dazed - tells of ride with aids of Dillinger", and mentions that "Moxey" a self-styled Department of Justice Agent is found at Joliet in a dazed condition; that he stated he was thrown from a car by Hamilton and Karpis; that a paper containing the name of Suran, and the telephone number of the Chicago Bureau office was found on "Moxey".

Dec. 14, 1934

On page 29 appears a ten inch article "Drugged as spy by Karpis, says ex-convict", and sets out the story of Alfred Geonia, who staggered into a roadhouse near Joliet and insisted that he had been drugged by Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1 because he was a "stool pigeon".

Dec. 15, 1934

On page 2 appears a short four inch article under the heading "Hunt Karpis hideout in Joliet". This article mentions that the Joliet Police were seeking the hideout

of Alvin Karpis, public enemy No. 1, as disclosed by Alfred Geonia, Government informant. Mention is made that Karpis and Doctor Joseph P. Moran were wanted in the Bremer kidnaping case.

Dec. 17, 1934

A two column article about six inches long appears on the first page, under heading "Burns is grilled in \$427,000 N. Y. holdup". It sets out the details of the arrest of Joseph Burns, Dillinger gang member who was questioned regarding armored truck robbery at Brooklyn, New York on August 31, 1934. This article mentions that John Hamilton, Alvin Karpis, and Joseph Fox are possibly wanted in the same case.

Dec. 18, 1934

Page 3 carries a four inch article which mentions that Alfred Geonia, ex-convict, has decided that it wasn't Alvin Karpis after all that drugged him.

Jan. 9, 1935

A short four inch article is headed "Gibson pursuit started in Oklahoma". It is dated Oklahoma City January 9th. It mentions that Russell Gibson has been wanted for five years for a \$75,000 robbery of a bank messenger at Kansas City. On page 20 a six inch article in one column is headed "Taken by U.S. in Bremer gang duel". This article relates the killing of Russell Gibson who is mentioned as being a member of the Barker Karpis gang, as Department of Justice opens a campaign to round up the kidnapers of Edward G. Bremer. There likewise appears a four column photographs of guns and pistols found in the apartment occupied by Gibson, who is described as a member of the Karpis Barker gang of Bremer kidnapers. A three column bust photograph of Gibson appears, and he is mentioned as the right hand man of Alvin Karpis.

Jan. 10, 1935

Two photographs covering three columns appear under the heading "Because of a gun - a widow". These photographs are of Clara Gibson, widow of Russell Gibson, and Deputy Coroner Whalen with an automatic gun which Gibson had when killed. Gibson is mentioned as being wanted in the Bremer kidnaping case.

Jan. 10, 1935

A ten inch article in one column mentions that Bolton is connected with the St. Valentine day massacre. It also mentions that Government Agents are working on the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer as the result of the capture of Bolton and Gibson. Gibson it is stated was wanted in St. Paul for that kidnaping.

Copies of old editions of the Chicago Evening American are in the custody of Palmer Wright, librarian, who would be the proper person to subpoena in this matter.

It may be mentioned that each newspaper in Chicago puts out approximately ten editions per day each day. As has been mentioned before, individual subscribers to newspapers are forwarded different editions of newspapers than are the wholesale distributors. Anyone in Chicago could naturally forward any edition of a newspaper to a friend or acquaintance in Miami. For this reason it is suggested that the Jacksonville office make an effort to ascertain the manner in which Joseph Adams or his employees obtained copies of Chicago newspapers which later were turned over to Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette during the time they resided at the El Comodoro Hotel. Some of the Chicago newspapers did not retain a copy of each edition of the newspaper published by them, but kept for their files only one edition per day. However, if definite information can be obtained by the Jacksonville office regarding the source of the newspapers ultimately delivered to Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette, it is possible that those editions may be yet available, either at the offices of the Chicago newspapers or at the private firms who retain old copies of Chicago newspapers.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

JACKSONVILLE OFFICE: Will conduct investigation set out in Bureau letter dated March 24, 1936.

In the interviews to be had with the bell boys at the El Comodoro hotel it is suggested that copies of the Chicago Evening American, the Chicago Daily News, the Chicago Herald and Examiner and Chicago Tribune first be obtained, so that they may be exhibited to these persons at the time of interview, in order that it may be ascertained what newspapers were turned over to Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette. An effort should be made to determine where the Chicago newspapers were obtained in order that it may be definitely learned what edition of the Chicago newspapers was ultimately delivered to Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette.

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April 3, 1936.

Director,
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Dear Sir:

RE: LEAK OF INFORMATION RELATING TO
CHARTERING PLANE TO LITTLE ROCK,
ARKANSAS.

At 3:45 P. M. on Sunday, March 29, 1936, Mr. Foxworth of the Bureau communicated with the writer by telephone and requested to be advised as to how the information relating to the departure of the plane from Cleveland, chartered by this office for a trip to Little Rock, Arkansas, leaked out. Mr. Foxworth advised that the Associated Press was making inquiry relative thereto.

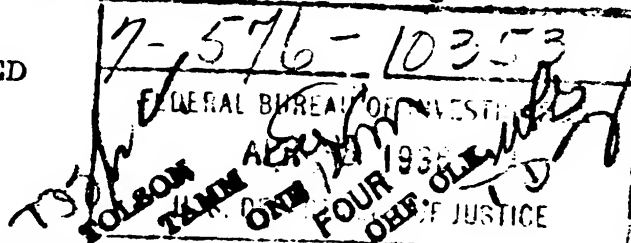
The writer advised Mr. Foxworth that it is possible that the information leaked out by reason of the necessity of pilots in the air to report their positions and that the said plane booked out of Cleveland showing its destination as Louisville, Kentucky.

It should be indicated here that at 11:30 P. M. on March 28, 1936, this office received a long distance telephone call from Special Agent C. E. Smith, who was with Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Youngstown, Ohio, at which time the said Special Agent, at the instance of Special Agent in Charge Connelley, instructed this office to immediately contact the United Airlines to make arrangements to charter a plane for five passengers for a trip to Little Rock, Arkansas, the said plane to be available to leave Cleveland at 2:30 A. M., Sunday, March 29, 1936.

Contact was immediately had with the United Airlines, and Mr. E. J. Galbos, District Traffic Manager, 1125 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, called at this office relative thereto. Mr. Galbos advised that his company did not have in Cleveland a plane available for charter to make the trip to Little Rock, Arkansas, and that he was endeavoring to get a plane from Columbus and Chicago, and would notify this office in thirty minutes relative to the availability of the said plane. Mr. Galbos was requested to treat this matter in the strictest of confidence, which he agreed to

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do, and assured the writer that the employees of the United Airlines would not release information relative to the proposed chartering of a plane by this office.

Mr. Galbos subsequently called this office and advised that his company did not have a plane available and that he had perfected arrangements with the Sundorph Aeronautical Corporation for a plane to make the flight to Little Rock, Arkansas. Mr. Galbos advised that he had cautioned Mr. E. Sundorph, president of the said corporation, that the identity of the persons and organization chartering the plane should be kept in strict confidence, as well as the point of destination and that Mr. Sundorph had so agreed.

The writer then contacted Mr. E. Sundorph and perfected the final arrangements for the chartering of the plane, and instructed Mr. Sundorph to treat the chartering of the plane in confidence, which was agreed to by Mr. Sundorph.

At 2:30 A. M. on Sunday, March 29, 1936, the following persons proceeded to the airport, which is about twelve miles from this office, in two Bureau cars: Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Special Agent C. E. Smith, Post Office Inspector S. J. Hettrick, Post Office Inspector J. T. Cordrey, Kansas Police Officer Joe Anderson, Special Agent E. J. Wynn, and the writer. The first five persons proceeded in the plane to Little Rock, Arkansas.

Upon arriving at the airport the first six persons proceeded to the Coffee Shoppe, while the writer went out to locate Mr. Sundorph. It should be indicated here that the matter of the Agents and other officers going into the Coffee Shoppe had nothing to do with the leak of the information concerning the flight.

The writer was advised by Special Agent C. E. Smith that prior to the appearance of the writer in the Coffee Shoppe, a bystander asked one of the pilots on the ship which was chartered where he, the said pilot, was going; whereupon, the said pilot remarked, "To Arkansas."

At 4:10 P. M. on March 29, 1936, Mr. Foxworth of the Bureau called and advised that the Director desired a very vigorous investigation made at the airport to determine the source of the leak of the information relative to the chartering of the plane.

At 5:20 P. M. on March 29, 1936 the writer, by telephone, communicated with Mr. Foxworth and related to him that a Mr. Blosser of the Associated Press made inquiry relative to the chartered plane; that the writer indicated to Mr. Blosser that this office had no information relative thereto; that Mr. Blosser advised that the Associated

Press received its information about the plane from a reporter of the Cleveland Plain Dealer, who was at the airport and secured the same from a bystander; that Mr. Blosser related that the only information the Associated Press had is that the plane was bound for Louisville, Kentucky; that the identity of the occupants was not known; that the plane contained five men instead of nine, as previously reported, and that the plane left the airport at 3:24 A. M.

Mr. Foxworth was further advised that just before our Agents and the Post Office Inspectors departed, and while they were in the Coffee Shoppe at the airport, they heard a bystander inquire of one of the pilots of the ship which was chartered as to where he, the pilot, was going, to which inquiry the pilot replied down in Arkansas, and that a reporter for the Plain Dealer was in the Coffee Shoppe at the time.

Mr. Foxworth was asked whether in view of this information he desired a very vigorous and militant investigation of the leakage of information, to which he replied that he wanted the investigation conducted.

The writer indicated to Mr. Foxworth that he doubted the wisdom of making an aggressive and militant investigation at this time in that the papers did not definitely know the identity of the persons chartering the plane, and that to proceed with the investigation at this time would only tend to jeopardize the work of Special Agent in Charge Connelley at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mr. Foxworth was asked for advice in the matter of definitely determining the identity of the Cleveland Plain Dealer reporter who furnished the information in the first instance to the Associated Press. Mr. Foxworth suggested that a complete investigation be made, however, he did not want the situation agitated. He suggested contacting the people from whom we chartered the plane and cautioned to do so confidentially.

At 5:40 P. M. on March 29, 1936, the writer called Mr. Foxworth and related to him that Mr. Blosser of the Associated Press telephoned to this office to advise that the Associated Press had checked the plane into Little Rock, Arkansas. Mr. Foxworth suggested that inquiry be made at the airport through Mr. Sundorph of the Sundorph Aeronautical Corporation, concerning the leak, and that he, Mr. Foxworth, would advise later what further inquiry the Director desired made.

It should be related at this time that when the writer indicated to Mr. Foxworth his views relative to the desirability of pushing the investigation to establish the source of the leak, the thought occurred that in view of the fact the plane and occupants had not been identified, that to proceed forcefully at that time would only tend to agitate the situation, confirming the deductions of the press and would tend to interfere with the investigation being made at Little Rock, Arkansas by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and the group of Agents working under his direction. Mr. Foxworth concurred in these views.

At 9:10 A. M. on March 30, 1936, Mr. Foxworth telephonically communicated with the writer and made inquiry as to whether the writer had heard about the Little Rock situation and whether the Little Rock office had contacted this office relative thereto, to which inquiry the writer replied in the negative. Mr. Foxworth related that the Director had received a call in New York yesterday inquiring as to the plane trip by Bureau Agents from Cleveland on Sunday morning, March 29, 1936, and he was indignant over the matter and wanted to know how the information leaked out and that the Director wanted this situation to receive vigorous attention in the matter of ascertaining the identity of the individual or individuals responsible, as he desired to contact personally the superiors of the persons responsible.

The writer advised Mr. Foxworth that an immediate and thorough investigation would be made and that Mr. Foxworth would be advised in detail relative thereto.

At this time Mr. Foxworth was informed that the Associated Press had advised that it had checked the plane into Little Rock, Arkansas; that it was ascertained that there were five instead of nine men, who left the plane at Little Rock; that they proceeded to a downtown hotel; that these men denied being Bureau Agents; that the Little Rock office disclaimed any knowledge of the situation relative to the men arriving in the plane; that the Associated Press contacted the Sundorph Aeronautical Corporation and the employees of the said company gave no information concerning the rental of the plane.

The writer, accompanied by Special Agent E. J. Wynn, interviewed Mr. J. Zetta, employee of the said aeronautical corporation, and he advised that the newspapers had made numerous calls to the said corporation and that no information was furnished by him to the newspapers, or anyone else concerning the chartering of the said plane, and that he does not know how the information leaked out.

Mr. W. C. Armstrong, employee of the Sundorph Aeronautical Corporation, was interviewed and he advised that the press had contacted him by telephone concerning the flight under discussion; that he told the

press that he had no information relative thereto; that Mr. Sundorph, the president of the company, who was piloting the ship, was the only one who had such information; that all records relative to the chartering of the plane were removed from the files by him so that the information would not leak out; that he told no one concerning the chartering of the plane, and does not know who released the information, other than to surmise that it leaked out through the United Airlines and that he does not know who in the United Airlines was responsible.

At the time of this interview Mr. Sundorph had not returned from Little Rock, Arkansas. This information was conveyed telephonically to Mr. Foxworth of the Bureau.

At 10:30 A. M. on March 30, 1936, the writer called Mr. Foxworth of the Bureau and advised him that Mr. Bostwick of the Associated Press called to advise that the Associated Press had just received a bulletin indicating that six or seven men, or possibly more, who were supposed to be Federal Agents, surrounded a house located on Malvern Road about seven miles from Hot Springs and that Chief Deputy Sheriff Roy Ermy, and other officers, left Hot Springs this morning to investigate the matter in order to determine the identity of the officers.

Mr. Foxworth was also advised that Mr. Smith of the Associated Press contacted this office by telephone and advised that they had received something they could not print; that perhaps he, Smith, was "barking up the wrong tree", as a story was received by a Youngstown, Ohio reporter from an officer that a man was picked up at Warren, Ohio, who told a story about some happenings down in Arkansas which led to a meeting in Hot Springs of Federal Bureau of Investigation Agents over the weekend; that the connection between the Warren man and Hot Springs is that the Warren man owns a dwelling where Karpis and Campbell are supposed to be living; that the newspaper from which the information was obtained refused to divulge the source; that the Warren man was picked up Friday night and that inasmuch as there was activity in Hot Springs it appeared that there was some connection there.

Mr. Smith indicated his wish to pass along this information for what it was worth and to Mr. Smith's inquiry as to the writer's knowledge of the situation, the writer disclaimed knowledge.

At 7:10 P. M. on March 30, 1936 the writer telephonically advised Mr. Foxworth of the Bureau that the leak of information relative to chartering the plane, occurred at the United Airlines, inasmuch as the said airlines, in a frantic effort to secure the plane, had wired

their Chicago and Columbus offices. It was mentioned to Mr. Foxworth that all the employees of the said line were aware of the effort of this office to charter a plane and made no effort to conceal the same, because one of the employees of the said airline made a comment to the pilot of the chartered plane concerning the weather conditions that were to be encountered on the trip to Arkansas.

It was mentioned to Mr. Foxworth that no effort has as yet been made to contact Mr. Galbos, district traffic manager of the United Airlines, as it was believed that any anxiety on our part at this time would have considerable news value and in view of the previous breach of confidence by the United Airlines, such inquiry would react to the Bureau's detriment in the investigation of the Brekid case. Mr. Foxworth concurred in the views of the writer. Mr. Foxworth was also advised that a Cleveland Plain Dealer reporter named Hartshorn was the reporter who was at the airport at the time the Agents departed on the chartered plane.

Mr. Foxworth was also advised that the writer had talked with Special Agent in Charge Connelley at Little Rock, Arkansas, and that the said Special Agent in Charge had experienced no difficulty concealing their identities as a result of the leak on the plane information, and that it was Mr. Connelley's opinion that it might not be desirable to agitate the publicity situation by pursuing this investigation.

Mr. Foxworth advised the writer that nothing should be done to jeopardize the work of Special Agent in Charge Connelley at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mr. Foxworth was also advised that there was considerable publicity at Toledo relative to the disappearance of John Zetzer of Port Clinton, Ohio, the plane pilot who, after the Garretttsville, Ohio mail train robbery, carried subjects Karpis and Campbell from Port Clinton, Ohio to Hot Springs, Arkansas. It was explained to Mr. Foxworth that there was no process in existence for the detention of Zetzer and the writer further advised Mr. Foxworth that Zetzer had refused to "break." Mr. Foxworth was requested to advise as to the wishes of the Bureau in the matter of the detention of Zetzer without a warrant, and Mr. Foxworth advised the securing of a waiver, which is in the possession of this office, and that Zetzer should be held.

Mr. Emile Sundorph, president of the Sundorph Aeronautical Corporation, was contacted by the writer and Special Agent E. J. Wynn and Mr. Sundorph positively stated that he released no information to the press, or other person, concerning the chartering of the plane; that he logged the plane out of Cleveland, bound for Louisville, Kentucky; that at Louisville he logged the plane out to Hot Springs; that en route the plane landed at Memphis to refuel; that upon arrival at Louisville, Kentucky there was a reporter on the field and that when the plane landed

in Arkansas a newspaper reporter accosted him for information concerning the men in the plane; that he told the said reporter that the occupants of the plane were business men from Cleveland, Ohio, whom he had flown on a number of occasions; that when the United Airlines contacted him he was told that the flight was confidential; that the writer told him the matter was confidential and that he regarded it as such; that his employees knew nothing about the flight, that is the destination of the plane, and did not know who chartered the plane; that a Plain Dealer reporter named Jim Hartshorn was in the Coffee Shoppe at the airport at the time one ~~Ralph Troftich~~ of the Operations Department, United Airlines, mentioned to him that he, Sundorph, "was in for a hell of a time with strong head winds on the course to Little Rock"; that prior to his departure from the airport he made inquiry for a Little Rock map, but that this inquiry had nothing to do with the leakage of the information and that he believes that the leak occurred in the United Airlines.

In view of the developments in the Brekid case in this district, it has not been possible to give this matter the expeditious attention that it requires, as all Agents are being utilized on that case.

On April 1, 1936 the only Agent available in Cleveland was the writer, and as John Zetzer was being detained here it did not appear desirable to leave the office alone with the prisoner and the stenographic employees.

You may be assured that the investigation desired will be very vigorously developed as soon as the situation here is sufficiently in hand to make it possible to proceed with the investigation in the manner desired.

Very truly yours,



J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

JPM/EJB

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
~~Division of Investigation~~

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
March 28, 1936

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PERSONAL and CONFIDENTIAL

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with the surveillance on the home of the parents of Campbell in Tulsa, Oklahoma, you are advised that the house at 820 South Rockford, next door to the home of the parents of Campbell, which has been occupied by Bureau Agents on this surveillance, is to be vacated by them on or about April 1st. The rent is paid on it for the Bureau, however, until March 18, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge Connelley has suggested that efforts be made to have some reliable person move into the house at 820 South Rockford with the view to becoming friendly with members of the Campbell family and maintaining as much surveillance of that house as possible and furnishing the information obtained to the Bureau.

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I have given this matter my careful attention and consideration and am unable to think of anyone at this time I would want to use in this capacity, with the exception of [redacted] now of Henryetta, who has been used on several occasions as an informant by the Oklahoma City Office. I have talked this over with [redacted] who is now residing at Henryetta, Oklahoma. He has a wife and three children. He informed me that he is making a living for his wife and family in that [redacted]

[redacted]
He states that he has planted a garden, but that he believes if a house can be obtained in Tulsa and the rent paid therefor and that he be paid \$5.00 a day for his services, he will undertake this matter for the Bureau.

I feel that [redacted] would tell us the truth about any of the developments at Tulsa and if it is possible to get the house for him at 820 South Rockford, it would be but a short time until he is on friendly terms with the father of Harry Campbell and possibly other members of the family.

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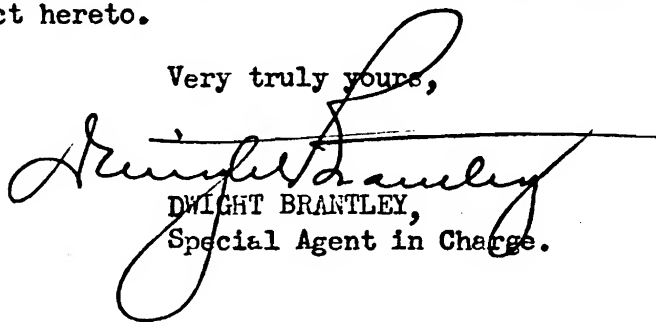
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There is the question, of course, as to whether the owner of the premises at 820 South Rockford would rent to [REDACTED]. I do not believe that it would be advisable for us to continue to rent the house, but that [REDACTED] should negotiate therefor. The rental is \$20.00 per month and the gas and electric bills would amount to approximately \$5.00 per month.

It is requested that you immediately advise me whether the Bureau will authorize this expenditure with the view to further negotiations with [REDACTED] in respect hereto.

Very truly yours,


DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Connelley, Chicago
Cincinnati.

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Dwight Brantley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 1276,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I.O. #1213, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

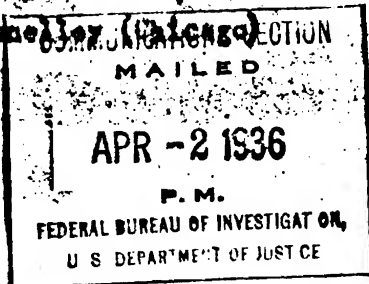
With reference to your personal and confidential letter of March 28, 1936 concerning the surveillance on the home of the parents of Campbell in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and your request pertaining to the authorization of an expenditure of \$20.00 per month for the rental of the premises at 820 South Rockford Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, as well as an additional payment of \$5.00 per day for the services of [redacted] in maintaining the contemplated surveillance, this will confirm the telephonic conversation of Mr. Foxworth of the Bureau with Mr. E. J. Connelley on March 30, 1936, at which time it was suggested that Mr. Connelley communicate with you relative to this surveillance and ascertain whether such expenditure would be advisable at this time.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc-Mr. E. J. Connelley (Chicago)
Cincinnati



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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

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April 4, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated April 2, 1936, (7-576) which refers particularly to the transfer of title to a Ford automobile from Charles M. Bronson to Duke Randall.

Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, who is conducting investigation in this matter at Miami, Florida, advised me by telephone today, that he has interviewed Miss Irma Robbins, who is a Clerk in the Office of the Dade County Tax Collector, Automobile Division, and who resides at 1158 N. W. 8th Avenue, Miami, Florida. Miss Robbins was shown a photostatic copy of the certificate of title, and of the combination application for duplicate and transfer of title certificate and identified her signature as having notarized these papers. She also identified as her writing the crossing out of the typed name of Duke Randall, and the insertion of the name "Charles M. Bronson". She was unable to identify the photograph of Randall or of any of the subjects of this case.

It was also ascertained by Special Agent Fitzsimons that Miss Marcella Sadler, also a Clerk in the same office, who resides at 1634 S.W. 11th Terrace, Miami, Florida, filled in the handwritten portion of this application. Miss Sadler was also unable to identify any of the photographs with the exception of that of Joseph H. Adams, whom she identified as being well known to her and a friend of hers. However, she did not identify the photograph in connection with the applications in question.

Agent Fitzsimons was advised that under the procedure in the Office of the Tax Collector at Miami, it is not often the Notary Public actually notarizing applications of this character, has any contact with the individual signing the application. He was informed that these are usually signed by the individual, and the notarizing is done later in the day by one of the Clerks in the Office. Neither Miss Robbins nor Miss Sadler had any independent recollection of the transaction in question.

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Efforts are being made to locate Randall for interview in Miami, but at this time they have not met with success. Complete information concerning the inquiries being made at Miami will be furnished to the Bureau as soon as possible, but this letter is being forwarded as of possible immediate assistance.

With reference to the letter of the Washington Field Office dated April 2, 1936, requesting certain handwriting comparisons, it is noted that the Bureau's Laboratory has previously endeavored to determine the identity of the individual signing the name of "Charles M. Bronson" to these applications without success. In this connection reference is made to Laboratory Report #4048, dated April 27, 1935, Laboratory Report #4109, dated May 1st, 1935, and Laboratory Report #4481, dated June 3, 1935.

Very truly yours,



R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Cincinnati
Cleveland
St. Paul,
Washington Field
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago.

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
April 3, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to letter to your office from
the Detroit Office dated March 3, 1936, please find
enclosed copy of letter dated December 19, 1934,
from Special Agent in Charge Wm. Larson to Special
Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Goetzke
Special Agent in Charge

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

March 26, 1936.

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Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

Time - 10:12 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned SAC Richmond at Atlantic City to get the developments in the investigation in this case in that city.

Mr. Richmond said that they located the No. 2 Man involved in this matter, and placed a tail on him. They ascertained that he is registered at the Traymore Hotel in Atlantic City under the name of DeCamp from New York City. DeCamp's wife has returned to New York City, but he had a red-haired woman with him yesterday, who, of course, is not his wife. DeCamp appeared to be somewhat suspicious of the Agents who were tailing him, but it appears that he is just down here on some kind of a personal escapade. DeCamp has been in Atlantic City since March 13, 1936, and sent a telegram yesterday, and has made two long-distance telephone calls since he has been in Atlantic City. Mr. Richmond said that they are checking on this telegram at this time, and as soon as they get the address, the New York Office will be requested to make a check. From the information about the telegram which they now have, it appears to have been sent to what is known to one of the Agents to be a "nice" neighborhood.

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With reference to Mr. Richmond's inquiry of yesterday as to whether or not Campbell could have been in Atlantic City during the Summer of 1934, I read to him pertinent portions of the memorandum submitted by Mr. McIntire, as reflected by the information in the files, in which there is a bare and rather remote possibility that Campbell was as a matter of fact in Atlantic City for a short time during the Summer of 1934.

Concerning the possibility of Man No. 1, thought to be Campbell, returning to this drug store, Mr. Richmond said that they now have Special Agent Erwin working behind the cigar counter in the drug store. They have arranged a buzzer system from the drug store to the garage, and are now putting in a direct-line telephone system from the drug store to the garage. They are having two men watch the drug store from the Traymore hotel across the street, and as the street on which the store is located is a dead-end street, if he comes in an automobile, one Bureau automobile can block the street. If the man goes down the Board Walk, he can be tailed. The entire setup will be working by noon today, and the man in question doesn't come in until late in the afternoon or evening.

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I inquired of Mr. Richmond if the drug store in which these operations are taking place is the same as the one which you have in mind and which you mentioned to me. He said that they have no information to indicate this; that is, none of the people in the drug store has said anything about knowing you or anything like that. As a matter of fact, Mr. Richmond said that from the information which they have gathered from time to time, it would appear that Karpis and Campbell were in almost every place in Atlantic City just before the shooting, or at least stories to that effect have been made up.

Mr. Richmond suggested, and I agreed, that he need not communicate with the Bureau telephonically unless material developments of importance occur in this investigation.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

W. A.

1021 Bankers Building
Milwaukee Wisconsin

April 2, 1936

Mr. R. M. Bates
Post Office Inspector
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that mail tracings of all first class mail addressed to 8733 Glencoe Circle, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin be transmitted to this office for a period of thirty days.

Your cooperation in this and other matters is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

V. W. PETERSON
Special Agent in Charge

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April 5, 1936

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.C. #1210, et al.;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Walter B. Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, has requested the Bureau to ascertain the name and the address of the person who has custody of and may be able to produce in court a certified copy of the bench warrant, together with the non est return thereon, which bench warrant was issued for the arrest of Alvin Karpis and was predicated upon the indictment which was returned at St. Paul, Minnesota, on May 4, 1934. Mr. Barlow has expressed the opinion that the United States Marshal in St. Paul is probably the proper person to subpoena to produce this record, but he would like to be advised definitely as to this. He has suggested also that the Clerk of the United States District Court at that point may have custody of this bench warrant and may be the proper person to present it at the time of trial. This matter should be definitely ascertained. Mr. Barlow has requested that arrangements be made to have a photostatic copy of the certified copy of the bench warrant with the non est return thereon prepared, so that the photostatic copy may be substituted in open court for the bench warrant when this matter comes on for trial. Please furnish the Bureau with early advice in this matter.

It is also requested that you forward to the Bureau the bail boy records of the El Comodoro Hotel, which, it is understood, are now in the possession of the St. Paul office.

Your attention is also directed to your letter dated March 26, 1936, in which you advise that numerous items of evidence heretofore requested are in the custody of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota, at St. Paul, but the Assistant United States Attorney at St. Paul, will prepare stipulations in an effort to

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Letter to St. Paul.

April 3, 1936.

Have such items of evidence released so that they can be used during the course of the forthcoming trial of Joseph P. Kamp and Duke Randall in Miami, Florida. Please make efforts to obtain the requested items of evidence as soon as possible and forward the same to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

✓ cc - R. J. Connelley, Chicago
 Indianapolis
 Cleveland
 Jacksonville

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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New York City
April 4, 1936

Transmit the following Teletype message to: SALT LAKE CITY

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PHONE BREKID. UPON BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS TODAY INFORMED NEW YORK
CITY POLICE WHEREABOUTS OF FRANKIE FOSTER WITH ALIASES. CHRIS
CARROLL, NEW YORK CITY DETECTIVE, LEAVING FIVE PM TODAY ARRIVING
REMO ONE THIRTY PM TUESDAY. HE WILL CONTACT SPECIAL AGENT J T
MC LAUGHLIN AND NOT LOCAL AUTHORITIES. NO FEDERAL VIOLATION INVOLVED.
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cc-Bureau ✓

Edward G. Bremer

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Kidnap Suspects Miss Police Trap

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 13 (AP).—Department of Justice agents, immigration and customs men and police waited in vain at the Peace Bridge tonight for a 16-cylinder automobile containing a man and woman said to be wanted in connection with the recent kidnaping in Oklahoma of Charles F. Urschel, wealthy oil man.

Word had come from the New York office of the Department of Justice that the pair, on the way to Buffalo, would seek today to cross the bridge leading to Canada. The names of the occupants of the car were given and later the Ohio license which the car bore was provided.

The Urschel kidnaping was one of the most sensational of the last two years.

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EDWARD J. MEEMAN
Editor

April 4, 1936

Dear Mr. Hoover:

When I saw this item in a newspaper, I was alarmed lest it should serve as a tip-off to some criminal the G-men were seeking.

Of course I could not believe the nonsense that G-men would have a "routine month-end meeting" in such a small city as Little Rock, and neither would any criminal who was hiding in the vicinity.

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Now that I am an editor, I am equally disgusted with newspapers which publish the movements of G-men.

Could not something be done to bring about a clear understanding and a certain practice in this matter? All that is necessary is for the law and newspapers to understand each other's problem and co-operate fully. No sacrifice is required on the part of either -- only fair play. For there is not much news in the fact that a G-man is in town, but to print it may prevent the development of big news -- the capture of a criminal.

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J. Edgar Hoover---2

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Yours sincerely,

Edward J. Meeman

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
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Edward J. Meeman
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director,
Division of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

* G-MAN CONFERENCE HELD IN ARKANSAS

Mysterious Plane Lands at Little Rock Airport

LITTLE ROCK, March 29.—(AP)—An all-day conference of all Department of Justice agents in Arkansas, described as "a routine month-end meeting," was held here today.

While it was in progress, a chartered plane from Cleveland carrying five men described in Cleveland reports as department agents, reached the local airport and its occupants went at once to a downtown hotel. They denied any connection with the Department of Justice, but otherwise did not identify themselves.

At local department headquarters, it was said there was "no information" there about the arrival of the plane or its passengers.

The plane was chartered at Cleveland airport at 3:30 o'clock this morning and landed here at 3:30 p.m. after making refueling stops at Louisville and Memphis.

J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the Bureau of Investigation of the Department of Justice, who was in New York late today, refused to discuss the report from Cleveland a group of agents had left there by plane for Little Rock early this morning.

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April 17, 1936.

Mr. Edward J.
Editor,
Memphis Press-Scimitar,
Memphis, Tennessee.

Dear Mr. Keenan:

I have received your letter dated April 4, 1936, enclosing a press dispatch under date line of Little Rock, Arkansas, May 29, 1936, entitled "C-Man Conference Held in Arkansas."

I deeply appreciate your cooperative spirit which has prompted you to write me about this matter. Frankly, I have been very much concerned at various times regarding the successful outcome of some of the cases which this Bureau has investigated in view of the unwarranted publicity which has been given the activities of Special Agents of this Bureau.

On the other hand, of course, I understand the viewpoint of the police reporter seeking news. I, too, wish that something could be done to bring about a clearer understanding between the press and law enforcement agencies in problems of mutual interest. I quite agree with your statement, "No sacrifice required on the part of either—only fair play," and quite frankly, and confidentially, I believe that had the press dispatch which you enclosed with your letter not been released, by this time one of our nationally sought fugitives would be safely in custody.

I am sure that you could be of great assistance in this matter if, whenever possible, you would advocate your own ideals which you so clearly set out in your letter.

If this Bureau can ever be of assistance to you, please feel free to call upon me.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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